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Ribbed Top V-Belts

Ten plus years ago, we used to sell 8V, D and E section belts with special longitudinal ribs on the back. They were added to our line at the request of the oilfield companies for use on large mud pump drives. These drives often used flat backside idlers and users felt the ribs allowed for better tracking of the belts on these idlers.

Whether they were right or wrong, by the early 1980's all of these ribbed top v-belts had become obsolete.