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Heidtman Steel's Newest Facility to Begin Production in September

TOLEDO, Ohio, Aug. 11, 2014 – Toledo, Ohio-based Heidtman Steel is nearing completing of a new slitting facility in East Chicago, Inc., and plans for production to begin in early September.

“Most of the equipment is now in place,” according to Heidtman’s Western Region Vice President Gene Cope. “We anticipate conducting trial runs later this month, with some production commencing in September and full production by October.”

The 120,000 sq. ft. facility houses an Alcos brand Advance High Strength Steel (AHSS) slitter capable of slitting material in thicknesses from .015 to .250, and in widths up to 78 inches. The line will handle coils up to 70,000 lbs., and 84 inches in diameter. In addition to AHSS products, the line will be able to precision-slit a full range of carbon flat rolled steel products, including surface critical HRPO, cold rolled, galvanized, galvannealed and galvalume.

“East Chicago is well suited for this type of slitter, and an ideal location for us to better serve our growing customer base,” said Tim Berra, Heidtman President. “The plant couldn’t be in any better location, in that it is in close proximity to mills that produce AHSS steels, and centrally located to the customer base that uses those products.” The plant is in the East Chicago Enterprise Center Complex, immediately adjacent to Electric Coating Technologies, is served by the Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad and convenient to five Lake Michigan ports.

About Heidtman Steel Products, Inc. Known for expertise in high strength low alloy steels, Heidtman is capitalizing upon that reputation by being one of the first service centers to process and to market this next generation of steels. Heidtman presently operates nine direct or joint venture steel processing facilities, primarily in the industrial Midwest, serving a wide array of clients in various steel consuming markets.

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