

PRESS RELEASE

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New order for SMS Meer

Jansen AG orders tube welding lines

Jansen AG, Switzerland, has placed an order with SMS Meer GmbH, Mönchengladbach, Germany, for the supply of a further HF longitudinal tube welding line – the fifth line that Jansen has ordered from SMS Meer.

The new line will be used to produce precision tubes and profiles that are also employed in the automotive industry.

It is designed for a diameter range from 10 to 40 mm and wall thicknesses up to 4.0 mm with high material grades and comprises a strip preparation section, spiral strip accumulator, tube welding machine and tube cut-off unit.

In order to ensure optimum product quality and close tolerances, the line is equipped with a quick-change precision roll bearing system developed and successfully employed by SMS Meer. In addition, adjustment of the rolls is performed by the proven “Quicksetting” system for computer-controlled, motorized roll adjustment.

Together with the supply of this new tube welding line, Jansen AG has placed a further order with SMS Meer for the modernization of the strip preparation section of an existing tube welding line. Here new components will be combined with the existing equipment.

Commissioning of the tube welding line is scheduled for summer 2006, the start-up of the modernized strip preparation section for the end of 2005.

SMS Meer GmbH forms part of the Tube, Long Product and Forging Technology Business Area of the SMS group.

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