

Press Release

WinTape winders delivered to the US

First WinTape winders successfully commissioned

Chemnitz, Remscheid, March 28, 2014 – the first WinTape winders have commenced production at two well-known American carpet manufacturers. The fully-automatic tape winder was first unveiled to the trade at the 'K2013'.

The new, automatic WinTape winding systems scores highly with its low level of operator involvement: depending on the technological application, the winder operates without any operating staff for up to 24 hours. The automatic precision winder convinces with its extraordinary transfer reliability when processing both in single and dual tapes. In particular, the virtually 100% safe and reliable automatic transfer of dual tapes for warp packages used on carpet backing has been a globally unsolved technical challenge to date. Its central control system with recipe management and supervision with protection against unauthorized changing as well as the electronically-adjustable crossing angles ensures excellent package quality. Its automatic package transfer and the storage of up to two full packages and up to four empty tubes guarantee an uncomplicated, reliable operating cycle. A transfer tail that can be defined and selected as desired in terms of length round off the innovative new development of the Chemnitz-based Oerlikon Barmag subsidiary. An outstanding price-performance ratio makes the WinTape a prudent investment: the acquisition costs for the automatic tape winder are about half of those for the alternative components available at the last plastics trade fair.

The WinTape forms an efficient double-act when combined with the also freshly-launched EvoTape tape system: with up to 50 percent greater efficiency compared to conventional standard systems, Oerlikon Barmag has managed a quantum leap in efficiency. At an 'Open House' event – which took place at the Chemnitz site in parallel to the plastics trade fair – interested customers were able to inform themselves of the benefits and advantages of the company's new developments.

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Fig. 1 Oerlikon Barmag WinTape

About Oerlikon

Oerlikon (SIX: OERL) is a leading high-tech industrial group specializing in machine and plant engineering. The Company is a provider of innovative industrial solutions and cutting-edge technologies for manmade fibers manufacturing, drive systems, vacuum, surface solutions and advanced nanotechnology. A Swiss company with a tradition going back over 100 years, Oerlikon is a global player with around 13 000 employees at over 150 locations in 34 countries and sales of CHF 2.9 billion in 2013. In 2013, the Company invested CHF 122 million in R&D, with over 1 000 specialists working on future products and services. In most areas, the operative businesses rank either first or second in their respective global markets.

About Oerlikon Barmag

Oerlikon Barmag is the world market leader for spinning systems and equipment for manmade fibers such as polyester, nylon and polypropylene and for texturing machines. As a service provider, Oerlikon Barmag offers engineering solutions along the entire textile value-added chain. As a future-oriented company, Oerlikon Barmag attaches great importance to energy efficiency and sustainable technologies in all its developments. The company's core competencies include the manufacture of the corresponding components for the production of manmade fibers such as extruders, winders, pumps and godets. Oerlikon Barmag has also established itself as a successful niche-market supplier: winders for special yarns and tape and monofilament systems are developed and manufactured at the Chemnitz site.

For further information: www.oerlikon.com/manmade-fibers