

Phone: +49 (0) 211 881-4449
Fax: +49 (0) 211 881-4386
E-mail: thilo.sagermann@sms-group.com
Thilo Sagermann

PRESS RELEASE

Düsseldorf, June 6, 2007

Follow-up order for SMS Demag AG

TPCO orders 20-roll cold mills Nos. 3 and 4

TPCO Yuantong Stainless Steel Ware Corp, Ltd., China, has awarded an order to SMS Demag, Germany, an SMS group company, for the supply of two further 20-roll cold mills. The first two 20-roll stands were already taken successfully into operation in 2005 and 2006.

The SMS Demag supply scope comprises the design and manufacture of the mechanical equipment and the supervision of erection and commissioning.

Hot-rolled special-steel strips (annealed and pickled) from the 300 and 400 series are rolled down on the new 20-roll cold mills Nos. 3 and 4. The products are distinguished by their extremely close thickness and flatness tolerances and by top-class surface quality.

Both Monoblock stands in the MB 22B-54" series roll strips of up to 1,350 mm width and they process incoming gages up to a maximum of 6 mm, which can then be rolled down to final gages of as little as 0.15 mm.

The total drive power is 12,500 kW, allowing rolling speeds of up to 800 m/min to be attained.

The cold mills Nos. 3 and 4 represent the next step in TPCO Yuantong's expansion program. This will increase the production by a further 160,000 t of high-quality special-steel strip each year.

The core components will be made in the SMS Demag manufacturing shop in Hilchenbach and will ensure that the 20-roll cold mills are of the highest quality and precision.

The pre-assembly of the mill modules and the performance of comprehensive functional tests in the SMS Demag workshop guarantee that the erection, commissioning and commencement of production will all be problem-free.

(31 lines with max. 55 letters)

SMS group is, under the roof of the holding SMS GmbH, a group of companies internationally active in plant construction and mechanical engineering for the steel and nonferrous metals industry. It essentially consists of the two Business Areas SMS Demag and SMS Meer, which jointly form SMS metallurgy. In 2006, some 9,000 employees worldwide generated a turnover of about EUR 2.8 bn.