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3rd generation Advanced High Strength Steels

**SMS group revamps galvanizing furnace of AM/NS Calvert**

SMS group ([www.sms-group.com](http://www.sms-group.com)) has received an order to provide additional equipment for a galvanizing furnace installed in the Calvert plant of AM/NS in Alabama, U.S.A. The equipment will be retrofitted to the hot-dip galvanizing line No. 3 (HDGL3) erected by SMS group. The modification will enable the furnace to process 3rd generation Advanced High Strength Steels (AHSS). This order was awarded to Drever International, a company of SMS group.

The supply scope consists of additional seal roll assemblies, new deflector roll boxes, induction heaters, a partitioning section, a final cooling section and an exit section with a hot bridle. The installation will give AM/NS Calvert the possibility to apply the quench and partitioning process, which allows a two-step thermal treatment. The equipment will be installed and commissioned at the end of 2016.

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Drever radiant tube furnace in a hot-dip galvanizing line.

The SMS group is a group of companies internationally active in plant construction and mechanical engineering for the steel and nonferrous metals industry. Its 14,000 employees generate sales of over EUR 3.3 bn.