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Interview opportunity

Boeing chooses Han-Tek Inc. for multi-million dollar facility

Victor, N.Y., October 31, 2012 – Han-Tek, Inc., a solutions provider of advanced automation technology, was selected by Boeing to develop a custom crane system for their chemical parts processing plant. Boeing invested more than \$100 million in the 64,000-square-foot plant in Gresham, Ore. —adding 350 jobs to its already significant workforce.

For Han-Tek that meant helping to improve productivity for the manufacturing of parts for Boeing 737s, 777s, and the much talked about 787 Dreamliner.

“Han-Tek’s four-year commitment to this project is directly related to Boeing’s effort to meet customer demand by increasing their commercial airplane production rates. We are pleased to be a part of a project that has such a positive impact,” said Jon Tobin, Han-Tek President.

For the Boeing project, like many others, Han-Tek was asked to develop a creative solution. The challenge was to develop a custom crane system capable of operating within a chemical parts processing environment that maximized uptime with minimal maintenance, while meeting aggressive production cycle times in Boeing’s largest chemical processing plant.

The solution was based on Han-Tek’s wide range of experience and best practices. This robust, state-of-the art design utilizes seven automated continuous operation (24/7) cranes. This custom-designed solution needed to move parts in a variety of specific sequences from tank to tank to meet demanding production requirements.

Accuracy was another facet of this project. Seven cranes, from 1,000 to 4,000 pounds (453 to 1,814 kilograms) were perfectly timed to dip parts in the chemical tanks within close tolerances—with a precision of ¼ inch—and not interfere with other equipment.

“This solution is like no other. The design meets the speed, accuracy, and low maintenance requirements that result in unprecedented ROI,” said Todd VandeSande, Han-Tek Vice President. *“Specially designed to operate within the chemical processing environment, this design sets a new standard for continuous operation cranes with minimal, if any, downtime, maximizing the mean time between maintenance occurrences.”*

About Han-Tek, Inc.

Han-Tek, Inc., an ISO 9001:2008-registered company (www.han-tek.com), specializes in overhead cranes, conveyors, robotics, automation, and machine controls to optimize a wide range of manufacturing and industrial operations. Han-Tek, founded in 1961, operates two facilities in Victor, N.Y. and High Point, N.C.

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