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# Penn Stainless Products to open distribution facility in Pennsylvania

Penn Stainless Products, a distributor and processor of stainless steel products, has announced the construction of a 35,000-sq.-ft. distribution and transfer facility in Jackson Center, Pa.

Scheduled to open on Nov. 1, the plant will offer next-day flatbed delivery to area customers for stock orders.

### Superior Tube provides heat exchanger tubing to Tema India

Collegeville, Pa.-based Superior Tube, a manufacturer of precision metal tubing for safety-critical applications, has been awarded a contract from Tema India Ltd. to supply heat exchanger tubing for a new floating production storage and offloading vessel.

The vessel is among several commissioned by Brazilian energy provider Petrobras as part of its project to develop the oil reserves in the presalt fields in the Santos basin off the Brazilian coast. For the vessel's heat exchangers, Superior Tube will provide almost 23 miles of seamless IN-CONEL® 625 alloy tubing.

The tubing will undergo a rigorous testing process in order to meet high-quality requirements. It must have a very low wall thickness-to-diameter ratio of 0.07 to 0.08.

#### IMS providing tube gauges to Tenaris seamless tube mill

IMS, a Mars, Pa.-based manufacturer of X-ray, isotope, and optical measuring systems for hot and cold mills and service centers, has received an order from Tenaris to supply tube measuring gauges for the company's new tube mill in Bay City, Texas.

The seamless pipe mill will have the capacity to produce 600,000 tons. The gauges will enter into service by 2016.

The transaction includes a pair of tube measuring systems and accessories. The first gauge (13-channel wall thickness and eccentricity measurement and 24-laser high-precision diameter and profile measurement) will be installed at the exit of the extractor mill. The second gauge (four-channel wall thickness measurement and 24-laser high-precision diameter and profile measurement) will be located at the exit of the stretch reducing mill.

This configuration allows for monitoring and control of all parameters of the hot shell and pipe.

# Sapa Extrusions, PPG Industries enter into exclusive coatings warranty agreement

Rosemont, Ill.-based Sapa Extrusions has announced an 18-month exclusive agreement with PPG Industries, Pittsburgh, that provides Sapa with exclusive rights to administer PPG's coatings warranty on completed aluminum products.

As part of the agreement, Sapa now can transfer PPG's coatings warranty along with Sapa's applicator warranty directly to its customers that have purchased coated aluminum products.

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