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COE NEWNES MCGEHEE ANNOUNCES NEW POSITIONING FENCE

Salmon Arm, British Columbia, March 26, 2007 - Coe Newnes McGehee today announced their new PosiLOCK Positioning Fence. Targeted at mill managers who want to increase recovery and throughput of their trim lines, the positioning fence is accurate within 1/8" at high speeds. Unlike traditional trailing or push style paddle fences, the PosiLOCK Positioning Fence uses multiple lug spaces to position a board, and several more to settle the board after positioning. This allows boards to stabilize and stop transverse movement prior to leaving the paddle. To accomplish this, a proprietary brake-lock mechanism sets the paddles to prescribed positions from a zero saw location early in the circulation cycle, then allows boards to settle against the "locked" paddle until the paddle reaches the end of the circulation mechanism.

The PosiLOCK Positioning Fence supports speeds of 150+ LPM on 12" wide and 200+ LPM on studs. It is available with a 12" or 24" setback and 5, 6, or 7 paddle configurations depending on the specifics of the application. A low chain velocity and low roll RPM eliminates bounce back and board instability for greater accuracy. The PosiLOCK Positioning Fence provides a full 24" of infinite positioning without the expense of adding saws. Some mills may wish to consider upgrades to their Trimmer and Sorter to utilize the additional speed capacity of the positioning fence. It is available now for order and installation.

"The new brake-lock mechanism allows us to offer higher speeds and greater accuracy than was available before," stated Geoff Wight, Product Line Manager for Lumber Handling at Coe Newnes McGehee. "In addition, its small footprint and standard lumber offset means it will fit into most existing trimmer lines without major changes to upstream or downstream equipment."

About Coe Newnes McGehee

Coe Newnes McGehee combines the resources and experience of two of the most respected industry leaders; Coe Manufacturing and Newnes/McGehee. Building on a reputation for quality, innovation, and customer support, Coe Newnes McGehee offers the widest range of machinery products and services for the lumber and veneer/plywood markets. The company has facilities in Salmon Arm, British Columbia; Tigard, Oregon; Painesville, Ohio and Covington, Georgia.



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