

KEEPING IT IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD: WOODINGS SET TO DELIVER LARGE TUYERE AND VALVE ORDER TO PITTSBURGH STEELMAKER

As a worldwide leader in the manufacture of equipment for the hot metals industry, Woodings Industrial serves customers around the globe but they also answer the needs of those right around the block. A large Pittsburgh-based steel producer has selected Woodings to provide a sizable order of tuyere stocks and hot blast valves.

The steelmaker is undergoing a major reline job and blast furnace upgrade for which Woodings will provide 20 sets of tuyere stocks which will be installed in August or September.

Also set to be delivered in August is a new battery-powered tuyere cart, designed and produced by Woodings. Driven by a 60 volt DC motor that drives a hydraulic pump that, in turn powers all the cart's motions, the Wooding tuyere cart is strong, reliable and can be easily operated without the need for pneumatics and the accompanying cumbersome hoses.



Woodings is also supplying the steelmaker with four new, high-efficiency hot blast valves. Engineered by Woodings, these valves feature a water-cooled seat ring and a refractory lined body/bonnet. Unlike fully water cooled valves, the Wooding valves do not pull as much heat out of the blast, thus extending the life of the hot blast valve and providing higher hot blast temperatures.

The valves are currently undergoing inspection and will be shipped in early August. "The ability to fill this order and provide equipment that is on the leading edge of design and performance is what sets us apart from the competition. Helping producers go to the next level in terms of productivity, reliability and efficiency is what we're here for and this equipment will accomplish all of that and more," stated Rob Woodings, president.