

The GTS Design team continues to train our newly hired designers to get them up to speed on Proper design standards. In addition, our team is working on the transition from UG software to Cimatron software. In an effort to become proficient using Cimatron, two designers that have started using the software full time. Doug Draca has been a great help with the transition by being available for online meetings with China to explain the many proprietary improvements that Proper has developed for Cimatron software.

New developments on the shop floor include the addition of a rotary platen to our 600 ton molding machine. The purchase of this rotary platen was made due to a lack of good outsource options and high outsourcing costs. On a recent tooling program that included 10 rotary 2-shot molds, we were able to perform all the tryouts and required part runs in house. The ability to run tryouts in house resulted in a substantial savings in outsourcing and transportation costs, and also allowed us to better respond to the customers timing requirements.

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