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Gemini Industries, Inc. Expands Automation at El Reno Plant to Advance Efficiency and Quality in Wood Coatings Production

(EL RENO, Okla.) – Gemini Industries, Inc., an employee-owned leading manufacturer of innovative wood coating solutions, has added a new state-of-the-art, fully automated packaging line to its main production facility in El Reno, Oklahoma. The investment represents the company's continued vision to push the boundaries of coatings technology and manufacturing and remain a leader in innovation, efficiency and customer service.

The newly expanded line focuses on fill operations and end-of-line operations, where coatings are packaged into containers and prepared for shipment. While the plant has long utilized FANUC Robots, a global leader in industrial robotics, the latest additions expand Gemini's automation capabilities even further, to include box erecting and customized robotic pallet packaging solutions.

Highlights of the new system include:

- Upgraded packaging: A Combi Case Erector 2-EZ HS now forms and bottom-seals box cases, significantly increasing line efficiency and throughput.
- Improved palletizing: An additional FANUC robot was added specifically for Gemini's application of specialized case packing and palletizing that handles coatings packaging with precision.
- Enhanced product coding: An upgraded inkjet case coding system now prints product and lot numbers directly onto boxes, improving traceability and eliminating the need for sticker labels.
- Advanced quality assurance: A custom Cognex vision sensor array verifies both the presence of bail handles and the accuracy of labeling, ensuring every product is packaged correctly before leaving the line.

"Expanding our automation is not just about speed," said Jason Melton, Chief Operations Officer of Gemini Industries, Inc. "It's about safety, consistency and scalability. Every improvement allows us to deliver a higher-quality, more reliable product to our customers while also supporting our employee-owners' well-being and creating more efficient workflows."

Automation plays a critical role in Gemini's long-term strategy, helping the company meet increasing customer demand, maintain strict quality standards and strengthen its competitive edge in the coatings industry.



For more information about Gemini Industries, Inc., visit GeminiIndustriesInc.com or call 1-800-262-5710.

About Gemini Industries, Inc.

Established in 1964, Gemini is an employee-owned company specializing in the production of high-quality, innovative wood coatings for distributors, professional wood finishers and consumers. With a comprehensive product line, the Gemini brand family provides wood finishing solutions and support materials for both interior and exterior applications, as well as real wood flooring. To learn more, visit <u>GeminiIndustriesInc.com</u>.

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