LA LORRAINE BAKERY GROUP (BELGIUM)

Mr. Bernard Hesbois
Packaging manager of the frozen foods department, Derkenne Couline site

LA LORRAINE BAKERY GROUP is a Belgian family company founded in 1939 which has become one of the leaders in the European industrial bakery sector. Thanks to an innovation strategy and dynamic international expansion, the group is now established in numerous European countries including Belgium, Poland, Turkey, the Czech Republic, Romania ... LLBG employs over 3400 staff and has a turnover of 682 million euros. The group has 12 modern bakery plants, 8 are located in Belgium, 3 in EEC countries and the most recent in Turkey. The company is active in 4 sectors: Fresh Bakery, Frozen Bakery, Sales Outlets and Flour Milling.

The Derkenne Couline site in Barchon, Belgium, is active in two production sectors: fresh and frozen. This plant has recently invested in a complete Pattyn packaging line.

Mr. Bernard Hesbois, explains: "Our equipment no longer met our production requirements. Therefore we wanted to install a new generation, fully automated production line that guaranteed flexibility and accurate metering".

As a result, Pattyn installed a compact solution with 3D-vision counting device, 2 vertical XL bagging machines, a bagging system and a boxing system.

"Pattyn was recommended to us by other plants of the La Lorraine Group. It is an acknowledged company with many positive references for packaging processes that correspond to our project."

"We wanted to challenge Pattyn and are happy to see that they have achieved the goals that we set"

The Argocount-31 3D vision counting device guarantees the most accurate counting possible. The two XL bagger machines give the La Lorraine Group the possibility to produce bags up to 600 mm wide. The design of the line facilitates maintenance, and the human machine interface allows the operator to easily modify the number of products per bag, the dimensions of the bags, and the production speed.

"The delivered solution is more ergonomic and improves user comfort."

La Lorraine Barchon is one of the first customers that implemented the Argo Data. The company now manages important data of the line, such as production speed, maintenance, batch traceability, product consistency, ... which allows the company to optimise their production tool.

Mr. Bernard Hesbois concluded: "We would certainly recommend Pattyn. They were attentive to our requirements, responded quickly during operational monitoring and were professional during assembly."

“Thanks to the implementation of Argo Data our production management easily collects and traces all operations of our packaging line.”

"Pattyn fully respected the planning and safety constraints.”

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PRODUCT & CONTAINERS
• 40 to 120 gram Ciabatta, 250 gram Ciabatta and 400 gram traditional breads.
• 10,000 to 25,000 products / hour

CHALLENGE
• Offer new bagging machines handling non-standard bags.
• Guarantee accurate counting.
• Improve operator comfort.
• Ensure a reliable, flexible and safe solution.
• Provide a traceability tool.

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