



Summary

Industry:	Food and Drink
Application:	Bottling Machine Guide Belts
Actual Saving:	££10,728
Payback Period:	n/a



Specially Sourced Belts Increase Production

Longer lasting belts reduce production costs and increase cost savings

ISSUE

A customer was experiencing problems with twin A section coated belts, they were currently being sourced from the USA but didnt have a suitable backing for the application.

Bottles were being fed through a machine and the coated belts would then guide them through to the next stage. However, the backing on the belts would rip resulting in costly downtime, with the belts being changed on a monthly basis.

SOLUTION

Following discussions with the customer the local ERIKS Service Centre found a UK source for the belts, working together with the manufacturer suggesting that a Bondaprene fabric would be the ideal solution.

The belts had previously been tested at Radnor Hills Water, and found to last twice as long as the original belts, not only that, the cost of producing these in the UK was lower than sourcing them from the States.

The Maintenance team now change the belts less frequently providing them extra cost savings which were calculated by the customer in the region of £10,700 per annum.

OTHER BENEFITS

- UK sourced product
- superior material
- lower cost
- less down time

FURTHER COMMENTS...

With ERIKS extensive network of manufacturers and suppliers we were able to offer the customer a UK source for products purchased outside of the UK in 99% of cases. We didn't stop there, we are still working with the manufacturers to improve the belt further to show even greater levels of savings.

MORE INFORMATION

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