

IPS Plant GRAND OPENING

The official grand opening of the new technologically advanced IPS insulated metal panel manufacturing line was held recently in Jackson, Miss. More than 140 guests attended including the Chairman of the Ambassador Council for the Greater Jackson Chamber Partnership, the District Supervisor, the Mississippi State Treasurer, the Jackson Chief of Staff, contributing vendors and plant employees.

Wayne Dickinson, President and CEO of NCI Components, thanked the plant employees for their hard work and dedication in seeing the new facility into fruition. He spoke about the many benefits offered by the new plant and its new location, as well as the future opportunities offered for NCI.

Dickinson went on to recognize internal key players including Mark Dobbins, COO of NCI; Kevin Conlin, General Manager of IPS; Lynn Widrick, Vice President of Equipment for NCI; Phillip Wilkerson, Vice President of Manufacturing for NCI Components; Jim Marino, General Manager of Manufacturing; and Mike Payne, Plant Manager, all of whom were present.

Dickinson was followed by Sean Perkins, Chief of Staff for the City of Jackson. Perkins congratulated IPS and thanked them for bringing business and jobs to Jackson.

The grand opening red ribbon was cut, and lunch was served followed by tours of the new facility. The tours were conducted by knowledgeable insulated panel experts.



Wayne Dickinson, President and CEO of the Components Division for NCI Group Inc., cuts the ribbon at Grand Opening Ceremony for IPS' new insulated metal panel manufacturing facility.



Dickinson spoke to the large crowd and offered his thanks to the employees for all of their hard work.

Planning for the new line began in 2008, and construction was in full swing by 2009. With the plant now open in 2010, IPS looks forward to a productive future.

Jackson is the perfect location as it ideally positioned to deliver customer orders throughout the country. In addition to its prime location, the new line will provide increased production speeds and a superior product.

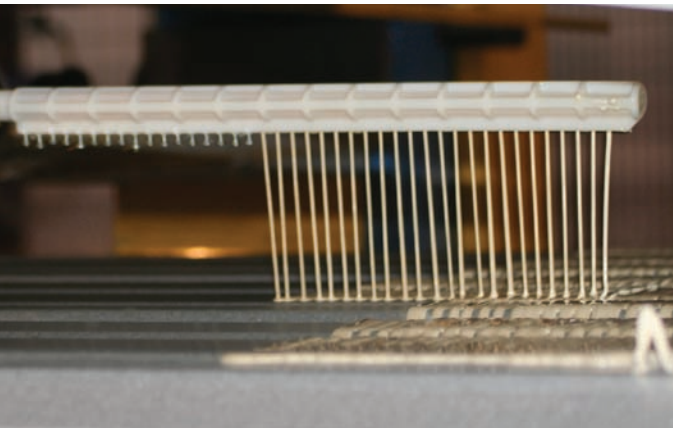


Congratulations to IPS for a successful event!

IPS CAPABILITIES

IPS's newest insulated metal panel (IMP) plant is officially in full operation.

The new plant is housed in a converted NCI manufacturing facility. Renovations included the addition of 12,000 square feet to the manufacturing side and 6,681 square feet to the administrative side. The new system and equipment allows IPS to manufacture high-quality IMPs.



Panels moving through the foam injection process.

The computer automation provides a production speed four times faster than the original line previously located in Stafford, Texas.

Aside from the benefits of accelerated production times associated with the automated system, safety is also significantly improved. The line is virtually hands free and has an intricate lockdown safety system in place for instances when an employee must pause the line to more closely evaluate a process or in the case of an emergency.



Thunderstone, LLC in Lincoln, NE

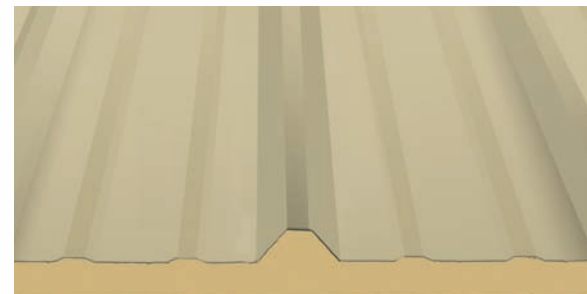
The special insulating foam consists of two chemicals, Isocyanate and Polyol, as well as a blowing agent. The blowing agent provides a robust cell structure within the foam, resulting in R-values that meet or exceed industry standards. The new line injects the foam between the panels automatically, allowing for thicknesses ranging from 1.5" to 6". The panels are transported by a conveyer system, neutralizing sagging or warping opportunities.

In addition to the standard IPS paint colors, applied finish coatings are also available. After a finish is applied, panels are placed in a drying room where they are kept overnight to allow the finish to cure.

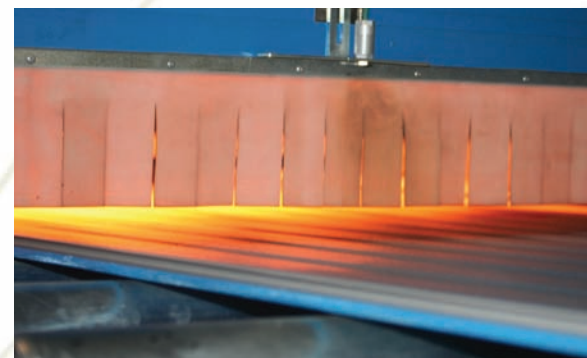
The finished product offers numerous benefits for architects, contractors, building owners and facility operators, namely:

- *Quick and easy installation*
- *Higher R-values*
- *Numerous color, applied finish and profile options*
- *Superb aesthetics*
- *Increased thermal performance for building envelopes*

The new plant will no doubt play a leading role in the future success of IPS and our valued customers. For additional information about IPS, visit their website at www.insulated-panels.com.



IPS RWP II Panel



The steel moves through the pre-heat oven so that the foam aggressively adheres to the metal.