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Maxco expands production with BW Papersystems triple-wall corrugator New machine will more than double company's manufacturing capacity



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PHILLIPS, Wis. — April 8, 2021 — BW Papersystems has announced that Maxco Supply Inc., the largest independent manufacturer of corrugated packaging for the agricultural market in the San Joaquin Valley, has installed a <u>98-inch (2.5 meter)</u>, <u>triple-wall corrugator</u> in the company's newly built facility in Fowler, California.

The new machine can run triple-wall sheets at more than 900 feet per minute (275 meters per minute) and double-wall sheets at 1,100 feet per minute (335 meters per minute). The corrugator has a top speed of 1,300 feet per minute (400 meters per minute). A <u>VortX starch system</u> with the capability of producing 330 gallons of starch every 18 minutes was also installed. The new plant in Fowler was built to meet the expanding needs of the original Maxco facility in Parlier, California.

The direction from Max Flaming, President and CEO of Maxco, and Joe Sepe, General Manager of Maxco, was clear: They wanted the best triple-wall corrugator possible. To

meet that request, the BW Papersystems engineering team worked with Maxco to design a corrugator that would offer sustained production at high speeds. The new machine will more than double the company's manufacturing capacity.

"With the growth in our business, it was clear that we needed to expand and build a new facility," said Flaming. "BW Papersystems has provided us with the right machine to reach our future potential."

BW Papersystems and Maxco have a nearly 20-year relationship. In 2002, a double-wall corrugator was installed in Maxco's Parlier facility by what was then known as MarquipWardUnited, made up of Marquip, United Container and Ward Machinery, which are all part of BW Papersystems today. In 2009, this corrugator was successfully upgraded to triple-wall capability, and in 2017, planning began in earnest for the new state-of-the-art facility eight miles away in Fowler.

"I have enjoyed working with everyone at BW Papersystems for some time. They have supported our growth and earned our trust," said Sepe. "Shortly after startup, we were already producing more than 400,000 lineal feet of double-wall and triple-wall per eight-hour shift."

BW Papersystems offers a range of corrugators with speeds up to 1,500 feet per minute (460 meters per minute), as well as <u>converting</u> <u>equipment</u> to support this output. For further information, please contact <u>sales@bwpapersystems.com</u>.

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