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Successful Stripback Application is Not Accidental with SHMUSA

HOUSTON, TX (May 16, 2008) - Chicago Bridge & Iron (CBI) www.cbi.com at its Houston facility commissioned Saar-Hartmetall USA LLC to assist them in solving a manufacturing problem that has proven to be a unique application discovery for our beveling tool products.

CBI tank manufacturing facility welds large segments of roll-bonded clad metal plate. During the manufacturing process, some of this clad material must be stripped-back to assure a smooth and safe weld. Using a Gerima beveling tool, the welder can now easily walk the tool around the 40 foot plate and remove material safely and efficiently.

CB&I and Saar-Hartmetall formed a team to make a slight engineering adaptation on the handheld SKF beveling machines to meet this need for CBI. It has proven to be a helpful technique for several other clients. For more information on Saar-Hartmetall's Gerima beveling tools and educational demonstration videos of similar industrial applications please visit our website www.shmusa.com/beveling.html



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