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P R E S S R E L E A S E**VAI CLECIM awarded pickle line modernization contract by ISPAT**

In April 2003 VAI CLECIM, a French subsidiary of VOEST-ALPINE Industrieanlagenbau GmbH, Austria, received an order from ISPAT for the modernization of an existing pickle line at their works in Romania.

The contract is for a complete rebuild of a line that has been shut down for over 10 years whereby only foundations, concrete structure and a few auxiliary machines at entry and exit will be re-used.

After modernization the line will have a capacity of 1.4 million tons/y.

The scope of supply includes the following main equipment:

- A flash-butt welder
- Entry strip accumulators
- A scale breaker
- A pickling section including four flexible turbulent pickle tanks
- An exit strip accumulator
- Edge trimming section with turret type shear
- Regeneration unit
- Complete electrical and automation equipment supplied by VAI Linz

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Completing the work on time is an important challenge as pickling of the first strip is already scheduled 15 month after coming into force of the contract - compared to 18-20 months normally required for a similar plant size.

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VAI Automation Receives Contract from Stahlwerke Bremen of Germany

Arcelor, Stahlwerke Bremen of Germany has awarded VAI Automation, a global business area of VOEST-ALPINE INDUSTRIEANLAGENBAU (VAI), a contract for the automation of a new in-line Skin Pass Mill for the existing galvanizing line No. 2 in the Bremen works.

The scope for VAI Automation includes the complete automation including the implementation into the existing process automation systems and the electrical equipment.

Startup of the automation systems is scheduled for April/May 2004.

Numerous references from around the world in the field of automation for cold-rolling mills delivered by VAI were essential factors in awarding of this contract.

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