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Press Release

Z Automation Company's Automation and Innovation Adds the Perfect Topping to Pizza Lines

Arlington Heights, IL, 2008: Z Automation's pizza disc feeder, cartoner and case packer offers a complete solution for end of line packaging needs for pizza applications. The flexibility of this combination provides clients with the most streamlined turn-key operation that provides the highest productivity at the lowest operating cost. The servo driven system is user friendly and offers quicker changeovers with less tweaking and maintenance. The stainless steel balcony GMP design allows for a clean wash down system while also providing easy access for tool-less changeovers.

The CH15 160C Continuous Motion Horizontal Cartoner is designed to accommodate a wide range of pizza sizes and stacking configurations. This system packages single pizzas at a rate of 160 cartons a minute, while two servo driven overhead product sweepers are utilized in stacking the pizzas in 2 to 4 stack configurations. An overhead product transfer unit is utilized in the loading of the pizzas in the cartons. This method of loading eliminates the need for product and carton change parts, thus change overs are completed in 15 minutes and less.

The compact design of the CP15 10I Intermittent Motion Case Packer can handle up to 10 cases per minute, stacking the cases in both horizontal and vertical configurations. Key features of this system includes funnel guided product loading unit and a servo driven upstacker for accumulation of the cartons.

Z Automation's latest development for the Pizza Line is the CF200C, Continuous Motion Disc Feeder to automatically place corrugated pizza discs on the conveyor prior to placing the pizza and entering the flow wrapper. The disc magazine has the ability to handle a wide range of disc sizes and places the discs at a maximum rate of 160 discs per minute. The base of the disc magazine is equipped with a powered chain to index the discs forward as they are removed, insuring adequate prime for disc feeding. A low-level disc detector is interfaced with the HMI.

By being modular in both the mechanical and electrical design, the system is easily configurable and this allows a more efficient construction of the machine while reducing the build cycle. Providing an integrated solution permits a

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small footprint and combines versatility with performance and ease of operation. For additional information on this system or any of our other products, please contact us at info@zautomation.com or visit www.zautomation.com.

About Z Automation Company, Inc. - Founded in 1996, Z Automation has quickly committed to set new standards in the areas of design, inventive solutions and craftsmanship. A member of Packaging Machinery Manufacturers Institute (PMMI), ZAC provides effective solutions to both simple and complex customer requirements by expanding beyond conventional methods of automation.

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