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Dear Customers, Dear Readers,

This newsletter has been created to keep you informed, every month, of the company's developments and the progress of the modernisation work at the Inertam site.

Where do we stand?

Focus on the contained load preparation area

Dismantling of the old equipment and cleaning of the waste preparation area continues. Since the shredder was removed at the end of December, access to the decontamination airlock is now clear for the biggest items such as the dust extractors. The belts and moving parts have been removed from the conveyors, and the frames will be dismantled and gradually removed.

All metal parts are decontaminated after they leave the area so that they can be recycled in the dedicated channel. Other waste, particularly dust and rubble, is packaged in big bags and stored on the site until it is treated in situ after the plant resumes operation.

In-situ operations are being carried out on schedule; at the same time, the site's test centre is currently preparing for acceptance testing and test campaigns for the new equipment.

Safety remains the priority of everyone involved.



Strengthening of the QHSE team

Amandine Hennevin has just joined the Group as Head of Quality, Health, Safety and the Environment (QHSE). Amandine holds a Master's degree in Quality, Health, Safety and the Environment and has 13 years' experience in several business sectors, latterly including construction and public works at Vinci Construction.

"Very aware of the present and future environmental challenges our company will have to face, I am proud to join a Group such as Europlasma and head its QHSE department. Our team will offer top-quality support to all employees, firstly in order to meet our regulatory obligations and secondly to propose solutions for improving our products and performance. At the beginning of this year, we will focus our work on INERTAM to ensure that all the risks involved in the internal or subcontracted optimisation work are perfectly managed."



Amandine Hennevin
Head of QHSE

Smoke treatment optimisation



The plant shutdown has provided an opportunity for us to improve the quality of our waste gas treatment.

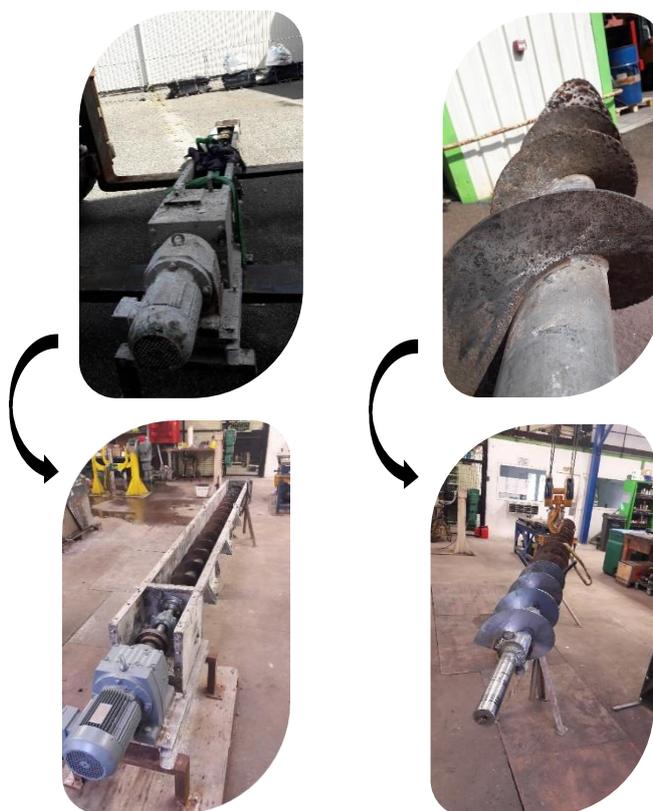
We have installed “deNOx” equipment with the aim of reducing the plant’s nitrogen oxide emissions and thereby further minimising our environmental footprint.

The solution will combine a conventional treatment known as SNCR (in which the NOx emissions are decreased by adding a reducing agent) with a process developed by Europlasma for reducing the creation of these compounds at source. This process will be tested and validated beforehand at the test centre. All the equipment will be installed and tested in the near future.

Site day-to-day life

The maintenance teams work to repair and prepare our production equipment.

To ensure the reliability of the waste lime discharge (used in the treatment of fumes in order to capture acid pollutants), the maintenance team has restored a worm screw that was out of use for several years. Using this additional screw will enable us to accelerate and automate the removal of used lime in big bags.



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In addition, an isolating transformer is to be installed to meet the electrical network standards, mainly in order to guarantee the safety of those working on the plant’s electrical equipment.