

## press release

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### **Rautomead launches new scheme to assist customers finance the purchase of continuous casting technologies**

Continuous casting technology specialists, Rautomead Limited, of Dundee, Scotland, have launched an initiative that could significantly assist companies to arrange finance for investment in Rautomead machinery.

#### **Finance over a 3 – 5 year period**

In an endeavour to provide a complete package (equipment, technology, training and finance), Rautomead announce the collaboration with an International Financing Partner who, subject to compliance with certain conditions will be able to provide finance for the purchase of equipment using that equipment as security for the loan.

#### **Single machine or larger project**

Funding can be provided for a single machine, or for substantially larger turnkey projects in which continuous casting is only one of the technologies required for manufacture of the end product. Finance is considered on a case by case basis and usually avoids the need for a bank guarantee as security.

#### **Helping develop viable business opportunities**

Comments Rautomead Sales Manager, Guy Henderson, "At Rautomead Limited, we are committed to helping organisations investigate market opportunities and develop viable business routes using our continuous casting technologies. Through our new funding initiative, we aim to take this level of support a stage further by actually assisting organisations in securing a suitable funding partner.

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“The programme is ideal for businesses of all sizes, from those considering the benefits of investing in continuous casting equipment for the first time, to larger-scale operations that are perhaps looking into the virtues of expanding their capability. With the current economic climate making funding difficult to find for many businesses, we believe we have come up with a particularly attractive solution.”

### **New entry-level copper rod casting machine**

In a further move to assist organisations in benefitting from the capabilities of its continuous casting technologies, Rautomead Limited have developed a new entry-level RSCC copper rod casting machine that offers users the advantages of Rautomead proprietary graphite furnace casting technology at an exceptionally competitive price.

### **High quality CuOF and CuAg wire rod**

The new RSCC machines have been designed specifically for the production of CuOF and CuAg wire rod. It is available in a number of configurations, either as a 2, 3 or 4-strand machine. The rod produced at 8.0mm diameter is suitable for high quality wire drawing applications, rod produced at 12mm – 22mm diameter is ideal feedstock for Continuous Extrusion Technology. The RSCC machines are available with production capacity of up to 3,500 tonnes per year. They share many of the unique technical features of the larger Rautomead RS wire rod casting machines, and benefits from over thirty years of graphite technology continuous casting experience.

In an effort to minimise investment of imported equipment, the RSCC model has been designed to provide users with the option to arrange local manufacture and supply of selected component parts of the continuous casting equipment, according to drawings and information provided by Rautomead.

Rautomead has over thirty years experience of graphite furnace technology. In parallel with advances in the properties of materials available, Rautomead seeks to be innovative in this specialised field and to find new applications wherever possible.

## **CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT IN CONTINUOUS CASTING TECHNOLOGY**

For over 25 years, Rautomead Limited has established a reputation as a global innovator and specialist in the design, manufacture and provision of continuous casting equipment for copper, copper alloys and precious metals and as a valued partner on turnkey projects for specialist upstream and downstream product manufacturers. There are currently over 280 Rautomead machines in operation in over 45 different countries all around the world.

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photo: model RSCC upwards vertical casting machine