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Arc Machines Inc., founded in 1976, manufactures automatic orbital tube, pipe and tube-to-tube sheet (GTAW) welding systems. Industries like semiconductor, food, dairy, biotechnology/pharmaceutical, aerospace, ship building and power generation use our line of equipment. Our tube-welding system is centered on the Model 207 Power Supply and line of Model 8 and 9 Series Weld Heads, which accommodate diameters from 0.093" (2.3mm) to 7.5" (190,5mm) O.D. Our newest tube-welding head, the Model 4, is designed for high-duty cycle-welding of tube sizes up to 1" O.D.

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ARCON Welding manufactures “The Workhorse” orbital welder line. Workhorse welders weigh about 80 lb, use SCR inverters for long life, and have fiberglass-reinforced cases. The Workhorse product line includes the Lift-start Stick/TIG 300S, the 575-Volt Workhorse 300S for deep mining, the MGweld 300MS CC/CV, the 700VDC-powered Ironhorse 300, the Capacitor discharge TIGweld 300ST, and the 1200 Amp Studhorse. Options include the Seahorse version for protection against corrosion and the Warhorse version where “dirty” voltage and spikes are extreme. All Workhorse machines include a limited three-year warranty and operator manual. Free tech support is available to Workhorse owners during the warranty period.

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ESAB’s PowerCut®-1250 PlasmarcTM cutter delivers power and fast-cutting speeds in an 86-lb. package. You can make plasma cuts up to 1¼” (sever 1¼”). The composite fiberglass case is suitable for harsh environments like construction sites. The machine fits through manholes and tight spaces. A power-line conditioner lets it operate with poor power lines. The PowerCut-1250 arrives ready-to-cut and includes the PT-32EH torch. ESAB’s Coreshield® 6 and Coreshield® 8 are for bridge and structural fabrication in seismic areas. These self-shielded, flux-cored wires meet FEMA 353 Specification. Coreshield 6, an E70T-6 wire, is for horizontal applications. Coreshield 8, an E71T-8 wire, is for all-position welding.

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Haydon Bolts, Inc. offers the Tone M221 swivel-head TC bolt wrench. The head moves 90 degrees left or right of the center axis, to allow installation of TC bolts in hard-to-reach areas. Haydon sells, rents and services Tone TC bolt wrenches and the “Simple Torpin” electric wrench for hex bolts from 5/16” to 1¼” diameter. Haydon specializes in custom-manufactured anchor rods, tie-rod assemblies, u-bolts, eye bolts and j-bolts up to 4” diameter and up to 40’ long, with either roll or cut threads. Haydon distributes of A325-1, A325-111, A490, A449 and A354-BD hex structural bolts and F1852-1 (A325) and A490 TC bolts.

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More than 10,000 Lindapter Hollo-Bolts provided the answer for cavity steelwork connections at the Huntington Botanical Gardens, San Marino, CA. Approximately 4,600 M12 Hollo-Bolts enabled simple and secure truss connections for a conservatory set in 150 acres of sweeping gardens.

The Hollo-Bolt was chosen because it provides a structurally sound, simple-to-use and cost-effective cavity connection. With the conservatory set in such beautiful surroundings, the overall aesthetic appearance of the new building was paramount, and the Hollo-Bolt's uncomplicated design and attractive finish lent itself to the application. Once installed, only the collar and bolt head is visible, producing a clean and symmetrical-looking connection. An additional 3,800 Hollo-Bolts were used in the connection of ornamental trusses to structural columns.

The Hollo-Bolt provided substantial cost savings for the fabricator and contractor by allowing the cavity sections to be connected without welding or through-bolting. No extra holes needed to be drilled for standard bolting and no field welding was necessary for the connections. The Hollo-Bolt’s design allowed the installation to be made with simple hand tools and no special tool purchases. The Hollo-Bolt was rigorously tested to ensure a 5:1 factor of safety for secondary connection.

The conservatory is visually similar to a house on the property built early in the 20th century. The new structure was intended to take the form of a classic wrought-iron glasshouse. The perimeter columns are of square HSS supporting the buttress trusses. Heavy pipe columns support the interior of the main structure. The buttresses and trusses are typically built from laser-cut plate with attached double angles to form the opposing chords and to facilitate connections. Vierendeel trusses围绕 the building, form tension/compression rings at the dome, and transfer gravity loads to the columns and other trusses. The HSS construction of the vierendeels also provides an interface for most truss-to-truss connections. 280 architectural laser-cut plate knee braces are incorporated into the vierendeel-to-column connections to provide the “wrought iron” look.

“As many as 16, 1/2”-dia. Hollo-Bolts were used at each bracket, creating exact-tolerance hole alignment,” said Jeffrey A. Brewsaugh, vice president of AISC-member fabricator G. L. Nause Company, Inc. of Loveland, OH. “The standard reaming of unfair holes was not an option for this project.”

Hollo-Bolts were used at all HSS steel splices, truss-to-vierendeel connections, and architectural bracket connections. The HSS 5-by-5 vierendeel splices consisted of 32, 1/2”-dia. Hollo-Bolts at each splice. “Hole size and alignment was a must for the bolts to work,” Brewsaugh said. “The erection of this frame was a challenge in the fact that the connections had to be pulled tight and clamped before inserting and torquing the bolts.”

The center dome consists of three tiers. The tower tier was installed in position, the top tier was assembled on the ground and hung by crane, and the middle tier was installed in between. This relieved construction and cost work up to the 55’ elevation.

“It’s an eerie feeling fabricating 126 tons of architecturally exposed structural-steel laser-cut trusses, compound-radius trusses, and rolled vierendeels, all that are hot-dip galvanized and shipped to the worst seismic zone in the country—and being contracted to install all of the above with 1/2”-dia. expansion bolts,” Brewsaugh said. “My hats off to those bolts and to everyone associated with this project. It ran from beginning to end without a hitch.”

The conservatory was featured in the film American Wedding, which premiered in theaters during the summer.

V&S Columbus Galvanizing, Columbus, OH galvanized the structure’s steel, and the project won the American Galvanizing Association’s 2003 award for Excellence in Hot-Dip Galvanizing in the “Artistic” category.
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Nelson Stud Welding manufactures concrete anchors and deformed bar anchors for the precast industry. For bridges and high-rise construction projects, Nelson manufactures shear connectors in standard length and extra-long lengths. These shears tie bridge decks or floors to the structural-steel frame for composite design. Many products go to safety-critical applications such as nuclear containment vessels, missile silos, fuel-rod storage facilities, and tunnels. Studs and materials are manufactured, tested and certified in compliance with AISC, AASHTO, AWS D1.1, D1.5 and other ISO and EN codes. Nelson also manufactures threaded studs, refractory anchors, collar studs and others for the electrical and mechanical trades, and is ISO/QS9000 certified.

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Nucor Fastener manufactures grades A325, A325 Type 3, A325-T, A325M, A490, and A490 Type 3 heavy hex bolts. The A325’s are offered in several finishes, including carbon, galvanized, and stainless steel. A490 Heavy Hex bolts are available in 5/8” to 2” diameters and are generally used in high strength applications. Nucor offers an entire line of P1852 (A325) and A490 Tru-Tension assemblies. Standard hex structural bolts are offered in ⅜” through 1⅜” diameters up to 10” in length. Nucor’s Tru-Tension (TC) assemblies are available in ¾” through 1⅞” diameters. Nucor stocks structural nuts from ⅜” through 1⅛” and manufactures sizes ⅜” through 1”, and offers ASTM grades C, C3, DH, DH3, and 2H. Nucor Fastener is ISO9000 and QS9000 certified. Containers are identified with lot numbers for traceability from raw material through processing and final inspection.

LeJeune Bolt Company supplies fasteners, weld studs, anchors and equipment to the construction, utility and OEM markets. Construction and industrial fasteners are shipped to distributors and end users across North America and beyond. LeJeune has a company-wide commitment to timely delivery, quality products and exceptional service.
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**PRODUCT CASE STUDY**

The Toyota Center is the $200-million new home of the Houston Rockets. The 750,000-sq.-ft multi-purpose center will accommodate up to 19,000 spectators for basketball, hockey and concerts. It includes 102 suites, a club level, separate concourses, and a practice facility.

AISC-members Havens Steel/Fabarc–A Joint Venture fabricated the 3,040 tons of structural steel trusses used on the project, and AISC/SEAA-member Peterson Beckner Industries, Inc. erected them. The bolted-truss design utilized more than 65,000 bolts, mostly 1¼" A490s. Lohr Structural Fasteners’ new SMARTHEX™ TC Bolt innovative design offered all the benefits of the original Lohr large rivet-head TC design, plus a new conventional wrenching surface for added security and flexibility.

“Our decision to use Lohr Structural Fasteners, was based on their serious commitment to customer service and the many advantages the new SMARTHEX™ Bolt offered our project,” said Jimmy Kepple, Havens Steel project manager. “Equally important to Havens Steel is fastener quality, product performance, accurate inspection certifications, and on-time deliveries. The Lohr SMARTHEX™ meets all our requirements. Their total traceability is the best I’ve seen in the industry. It’s accomplished by the use of an “ID” code stamped on the head of every fastener. This “I.D.” code is traceable to the mill certification. The distinct “ID” code allows us to trace an installed bolt back to the manufacturers certification.”

Peterson Beckner Project Manager Conrad Hernandez also likes the SMARTHEX™ bolts. “When conventional TC bolts are specified, the detailers often do not consider the size of the TC wrench for clearance, and a standard hex-head bolt is substituted using the turn-of-nut method,” he said. “This causes us delays and inefficiencies that are costly, so we prefer the Smarthex TC bolt to eliminate these problems.”

The genius of SMARTHEX™ TC lies in its composite head design. The top half resembles a traditional hex head for all the advantages that ironworkers appreciate: a wrenchable surface, easy removal from connections/test equipment, and extra insurance against unexpected installation problems. The bottom half of the head presents a washer-sized bearing surface equal to that of a hardened flat washer, to eliminate the need for a second washer under the head on slotted and oversized holes.

The 1¼" A490 SMARTHEX™ incorporated a 5/16”-thick bearing surface to eliminate the 5/16” washer under the head that is currently required for oversized or short slotted holes on A490s greater than 1" in diameter. Testing demonstrated that it actually performs better than a standard bolt with a separate thick washer. With engineering approval, this means that customers will reap a double savings benefit by eliminating the extra washer cost and using a shorter (and less expensive) bolt.

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