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Hoist continues factory improvements

Hoist Companies, a manufacturer of heavy-duty compact, electric and internal combustion forklifts and specialty trucks, announces the purchase of two new CNC automation centers in late August 2004. A turning center and a vertical machining center are designed to decrease labor costs and increase output as well as extending our competitive advantage in the marketplace. This announcement is part of Hoist continual strive for quality and superior success in the material handling industry. Vice President of Operations, Mike Swieter, said, "the two new CNC additions to our machine shop will have a significant impact on the reduction of machining time and will allow us to continue to improve our delivery schedules to meet our customer demands." "They will also enable us to duplicate parts more effectively and efficiently with an average decrease in labor of 30% per hour." Future projects for Hoist include the addition of beam and mast rail welding machines, and welding robots in the finishing departments in early 2005.

