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NEW AIRAM DESIGN FEATURE HELPS STAMPERS IMPROVE PARTS PRODUCTION AND REDUCE TOOL AND PRESS WEAR

Covington, Ohio—(March 16, 2009) AIRAM® Press Co. Ltd., a leading pneumatic press manufacturer, has introduced a new design feature with the capability to help stampers improve parts production and reduce tool and press wear by nearly 30 percent. AIRAM has developed a special dampening material and is offering it to stampers as a design option.

Conventional presses typically contain areas where steel touches steel. AIRAM's dampening material is placed in key areas like the space between the bed and the stand. During a part run, as the bed deflects, the dampening material absorbs the energy. Because energy is no longer absorbed through steel, AIRAM is able to reduce vibration by 80 percent.

AIRAM's dampening material helps manufacturers create a work environment that is more operator friendly since less vibration means less impact on workers' joints. Parts production is improved while tool and press wear is reduced.

The dampening material is available as an option on AIRAM presses (B, P and G Series), 3 to 210 tons. The AIRAM line is suited to applications ranging from general and progressive die stamping to rollforming, lamination notching, scrap chopping, blanking, steel rule die cutting, plastics, paper, transfer and servo feed lines, and multiple press configurations on a single bed.

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AIRAM's leadership and technical staff offer extensive experience, technical knowledge and in-depth application engineering expertise to help customers select the right production system. In addition to the press, AIRAM stamping solutions include the die, feeding equipment, part handling automation and other ancillary equipment. Stock presses, including special press sizes, the capability to economically custom engineer press models, a comprehensive spare parts inventory, rebuild and preventative maintenance programs provide key customer support services. Committed to equipping customers with the tools they need to be competitive, AIRAM offers flexible production systems in tandem or stand alone configurations with the capability to manufacture quality parts at low cost.

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