



Contact's prefinishing line still set to begin operation in Q1

New lines add to Contact's growing list of capabilities for enhanced and custom products

Contact Industries is now well into the process of adding significantly enhanced prefinishing options. By the end of the first quarter, a new fully automated paint line will be operating, enabling Contact to stain and topcoat all products more efficiently and with the higher quality finishes required for commercial and residential architectural projects. Shortly after the paint line is installed, Contact will add a UV line, offering environmentally superior coating and curing for their products. The company has had factory-finishing capability for years, but not in a large scale or with UV curing.

"This line is a huge advantage to builders, designers, architects, and OEMs", said Peter McKibbin, Senior Vice President. "Our current capabilities, combined with the ability to prefinish, results in an endless amount of products that will be available in color consistent, defect-free, long lengths, ready to install with no prep or predrilling. Receive it and install it. It will be as easy as that."

Prefinishing allows for a controlled environment and results in less environmental emissions. With UV curing, VOC and HAP emissions are virtually eliminated, the cure is nearly instantaneous, the energy invested is only in the curing reaction, not in heating the finish, and the end result offers superior resistance to scratches and chemicals.

"The UV curing market is growing rapidly because it is a 'clean' technology that increases productivity compared to other traditional methods of curing," says McKibbin. "The addition of a line that will increase efficiencies and meet the growth needs of our clients further strengthens our environmental message."

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