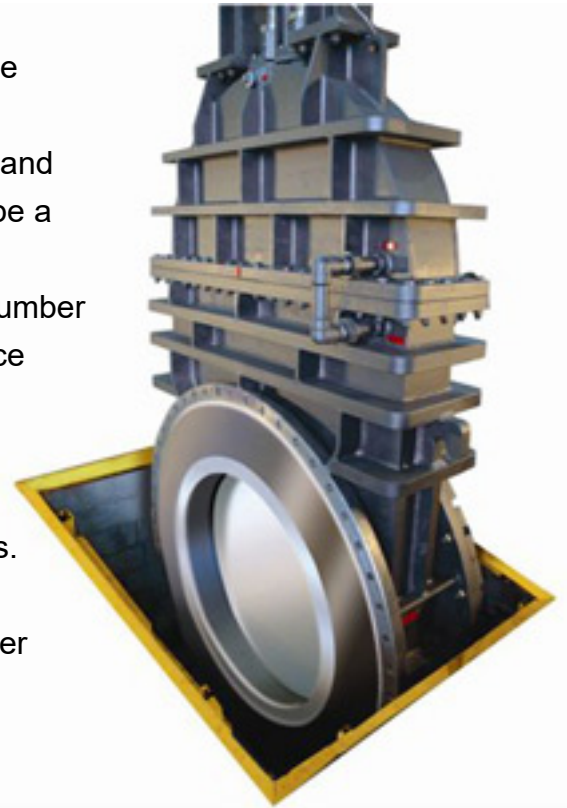


WOODINGS TO PROVIDE EQUIPMENT FOR MAJOR BLAST FURNACE UPGRADE.

Woodings Industrial Corporation, a worldwide leader in the manufacture of metals industry equipment, is pleased to announce that the company has been selected to design and manufacture a substantial amount of equipment that will be a part of a major upgrade of a blast furnace at one of North America's leading steelmakers. Woodings will provide a number of critical components for the steel producer's blast furnace upgrade including:

- Four new 54-inch hot blast valves
- All ancillary maintenance equipment and tuyere carts.
- Tuyere stocks including:
 - 40 blow pipe assemblies which consist of lower elbow and blowpipe
 - 28 downlegs



The tuyere stocks Woodings will provide are the result of a joint arrangement with Siemens VAI; Woodings uses the patented Siemens tuyere stock design which feature a unique expansion bellows. Advantages of this design include better control of movement, longer tuyere stock life and an improved seal on the furnace for more consistent operation and less maintenance.

“This is a significant blast furnace project for our customer and we are delighted to be able to play a large role in this project,” said President Robert T. Woodings. “As always, being able to provide equipment that will help producers reach their productivity, reliability and efficiency targets is our goal. That is exactly the outcome we expect with this project.”

