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COMPANY

BORDER STONE

Decorative stone pallet handling system

Welshpool, UK

Border Stone based in Mid Wales, now owned by Aggregate Industries (UK) Ltd., have been supplying decorative stone to the UK market for over 20 years. Over the last 12 months the company have embarked on an automation programme that has significantly improved productivity and reduced labour costs.

With a new bag handling robot and conveyor system installed by Mori Engineering, Border Stone designed their own pallet handling system to convey the full pallets to the wrapping machine. The resultant trolley services two conveyors, using a combination of optical and mechanical sensors, and includes a turntable used to move the pallets through 90° as they are presented to the wrapping machine.

Border stone had no hesitation in specifying Optidrive for the job and asking Invertek to recommend the optimum motor size.

Tim Hillditch, director at Border Stone, comments: Reliability and cost effectiveness were key criteria for this application and Optidrive fitted the bill perfectly. We have been using Optidrive on our bagging plant for several years and have never had any problems with them. We have even recommended them to Mori Engineering.



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