



APRIL 2007 WEBSITE REPORT

WINDSOR ALUMINUM

Plant Production Schedules

The Base plant is presently operating on a 5 day / 3 shift schedule on 3.0 litre block depts until shutdown. After shutdown the plant will come back to a reduced volume schedule of 2 casting shifts in base plant.

This will result in a manpower reduction of 70 jobs through the following depts.: core, melt, tsr. The finish dept will come back on a one shift and partial shift on afternoons. These reductions are due to reduced demand of 3.0 litre and an inventory of about 55,000 blocks. With the pending volume reductions this will give WAP a 350,000 build of 3.0 litre for 2007. At present WAP is scheduled to build 300,000 of 3.0 litre for 2008.

North Core Line - Base plant

In the base plant Core dept the north core line is presently going through a revamp to cast 3.0 litre blocks on a 10 machine operation from a current 20 machine operation on south core line. This is on schedule to be operating on a 3 shift pattern in late October of this year. This will leave the south core line of 20 machines open to new product opportunities with a potential capacity of 500,000 blocks

GM 3.6 HF litre Block

The area is scheduled on a 6 day casting schedule, with a current request of 1000 blocks daily to be shipped. This area is improving on quality and production levels daily, which will help reduce cost per block due to the recent porosity problem that appear to have been resolved. There is still intense cost pressures on the block due to unplanned operations to the block like, re-blasting and liner baking. Nematik management has said there has no commitment on phase 2 volume that was planned for base plant from General Motors as of yet.

Sympathy for a friend "Rod Tolson"

I would like to pass on our sympathy to Brother Rod Tolson's family due to his sudden passing on May 17. He will be missed.

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