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Project will expand production capabilities and enable new highstrength steel grades

Nucor-Yamato Steel selects SMS group for upgrade of the No. 2 Rolling Mill

Nucor-Yamato Steel Company (NYS) has selected SMS group (www.sms-group.com) for the replacement and upgrade of rolling equipment at their heavy section mill in Blytheville, Arkansas, USA. NYS is comprised of two rolling facilities commonly referred to as Mill 1 and Mill 2, capable of producing an annual capacity of 2.4 million tons of finished product. SMS group will upgrade Mill 2, which produces large wide flange and H-pile sections. The core of the upgrade is the substitution of the UR-E and UF stands with a modern tandem-reversing mill type CCS 1500.

"The upgrade will allow Nucor-Yamato to expand our production capabilities and include new high-strength steel grades," said Thad Solomon, Vice President and General Manager of Nucor-Yamato Steel. "We are committed to growing our market leadership position in structural steel and this project advances that goal."

Thomas Maßmann, Vice President Section and Billet Mills of SMS group said, "This project solidifies the excellent relationship between our two companies following the successful outcome on the earlier upgrade project SMS completed on Mill 1."

SMS group will supply the mechanical equipment and the mill control automation. The start-up of the new tandem reversing mill is planned for the second half 2020.

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From left to right: Austin Pitzer, Controller, NYS; Waldemar Vogel, Sales Engineer, SMS group; Jason Ciepiela, Mill Maintenance Supervisor, NYS; Chris Ziegler, Roll Shop Supervisor, NYS; Thomas Maßmann, Vice President Section and Billet Mills, SMS group; Thad Solomon, Vice President and General Manager, NYS; Jim Shelton, Rolling Mill Manager, NYS; Mario Fabro, Long Product Sales Manager, SMS group and Dirk Köhler, E&A Process Engineer, SMS group.