

Chantiers de l'Atlantique orders two PEMA Panel cutting stations to Saint-Nazaire shipyard

Chantiers de l'Atlantique (CDA), former STX France, has ordered two highly automated PEMA Panel cutting stations to Saint-Nazaire shipyard. The new order is a continuum for the PEMA profile feeding line and two automated PEMA profile assembly and welding stations, to be delivered this year, and PEMA laser-hybrid welding station, delivered in 2016.

The new order includes two PEMA Panel cutting stations. Each of the stations consists of plasma cutting, grinding and marking functions with special fume extraction tables. These stations are used to cut the panel to correct size, grind the primer away from the position of profiles and finally to mark the position of profiles. Plasma cutting portals for both of the stations are made by Pemamek's partner, MicroStep.

Florent Camaret, Investment project manager, CDA, says that thanks to Pemamek's proven track-record in welding and production automation technology and the companies' previous collaboration, CDA was convinced to continue cooperation with Pemamek.

"Our previous solutions needed to be updated to new and modern production technology that could provide higher capacity and better quality. We have collaborated with Pemamek in other major shipyard automation projects, so we trust their expertise and technology," commented **Florent Camaret**.

With the new state-of-the-art PEMA panel cutting stations, CDA will be able to significantly improve throughput times, add capacity and maintain high production quality in panel processing.

"CDA is one of the world-leading shipyards and we are delighted to continue our collaboration. High-technology PEMA panel cutting stations will raise CDA's level of automation and bring a significant productivity boost to panel production," summarizes **Jukka Rantala, Vice President, Key Accounts, Pemamek Ltd.**

The panel cutting stations will be delivered as turn-key solutions, including installation, commissioning, testing, training and production support. These stations will be ready for production by the end of 2020.

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