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## **Dorner Expands Innovative AquaGard Conveyor Platform**

*New belt options make stainless steel conveyor line the ideal option  
for fullest array of food industry applications*

**HARTLAND, Wis., (August 18, 2009)** – Earlier this year, Dorner Mfg. Corp. proudly introduced **AquaGard™** – a new stainless steel conveyor platform that offers maximum flexibility for a wide variety of products and applications while increasing throughput and reducing product loss. The platform was rigorously designed to deliver industry-leading speeds, best-in-class transfers and ease of automation to the bakery, snack food and confectionery markets.

Today, Dorner is strengthening its AquaGard offering with the addition of a fabric-belted platform with 25 new belt options. The fabric belts complement the previously available modular plastic belt offering. The new belted platform is designed to support a variety of applications like curing, cooling and small product transfer. Plus, it provides an ideal handling solution for so many different products – whether they are small, in bulk, sticky, moist, delicate or fragile – AquaGard now offers the most appropriate conveyor solution available.

“With the addition of so many new belts, AquaGard is – without question – the ‘go-to’ conveyor platform for an unmatched breadth of food industry applications,” said John Kuhn, marketing manager for Dorner Mfg. Corp. “The AquaGard platform can now essentially handle it all for the bakery, snack food and confectionary markets while also providing a slew of other benefits, including the fastest available speeds, flexible automation and industry-leading durability.”

Capable of sustaining speeds as fast as 300 feet-per-minute, AquaGard provides unmatched throughput to improve bottom line results. In addition, if product loss through transfers are a concern, the new platform offers one-inch nosebar tails for small part transfers, a powered transfer for maintaining speeds through transfers and a roller transfer plate, which provides smooth product transitions with only minimal added length.

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When it comes to automation, few conveyors make it as easy as AquaGard. In fact, no drilling is required. A revolutionary bracket design makes it possible to add a variety of controls, including photo eyes, low voltage wires, air tubing and several guiding options in only minutes. An accessory bar can also be affixed quickly to add multiple components to a single side – or both sides – of the conveyor frame.

AquaGard is comprised of a TIG welded stainless steel frame with an open design and minimal horizontal surfaces. For added durability, the belt is supported by engineered hard coat anodized aluminum wear strips located in welded cross members. In addition, welded, formed angle stands help maximize space around the conveyor. All materials utilized for AquaGard are FDA approved and meet or exceed BISSC standards.

AquaGard is a belted conveyor available in straights, inclines, declines, and z-frames. The new belted option encompasses a variety of options, including general purpose, edge sealed, fully encased and cleated belts, which can be selected based on a customer's specific needs.

Belts for AquaGard are now available in widths from four to 52 inches and in lengths ranging from just three feet all the way to 40 feet. As part of the company's long-standing dedication to speed and flexibility, Dorner can ship AquaGard conveyors within 10 working days.

For additional details about AquaGard, please call Dorner at **1-800-397-8664** to request a free sales brochure. Additional information about the company and its complete product offering can also be viewed online at **[www.dorner.com](http://www.dorner.com)**.

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