



Bodycote expand West Coast operations

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Bodycote Thermal Processing announces their West Coast Operations are embarking on a major initiative for integrating and expanding their eight California locations.

There has been growing concern amongst the supplier base that capacities in heat treating and related services to the aerospace and commercial markets are diminishing. To reassure our customers, Bodycote is planning a comprehensive modernization upgrade program with extensive equipment replacement to meet the growing needs of the titanium and aluminum aerospace and commercial markets. Not only are our facilities being renovated, relocation of operations are underway with additional staffing taking place.

The recent consolidation of San Diego and Tarzana are the first steps of this expansion plan. To demonstrate this commitment, Bodycote has recently commissioned their new Nadcap approved NDT services unit for MPI, Passivate, and Nital Etch services at the Huntington Park facility. We expect to have the Huntington Park copper plating facility expansion completed by November 2008. Our Santa Fe Springs Romandel location has increased capacity by commissioning two tip-up furnaces for an additional 60 tons of metal processing per year.

Bodycote Thermal Processing is committed to being preferred supplier for heat treating services and to provide the processes the industry requires.

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About Bodycote

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