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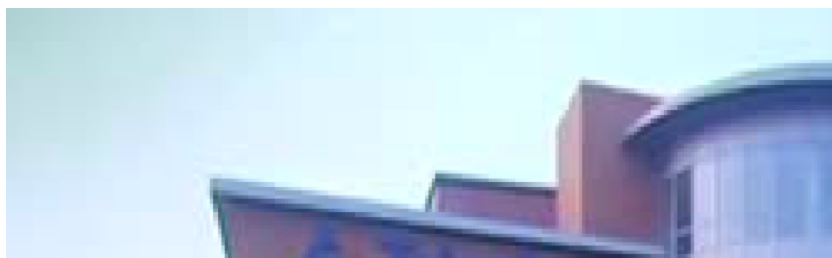
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Tetra Pak wins 12 awards from the Japan Institute of Plant Maintenance

New JIPM winners, including Argentina and China, take total Tetra Pak accolades to 70 awards in 12 years.

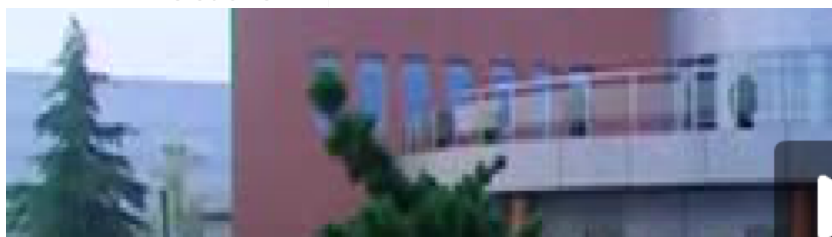
Tetra Pak today received 12 Total Productive Maintenance (TPM™) Awards from the Japan Institute of Plant Maintenance (JIPM) during its annual award ceremony in Kyoto, Japan. JIPM presents the awards to companies across the globe that have made outstanding progress in using TPM methodology to secure marked improvements in productivity, product quality, plant efficiency, environmental performance or organizational.



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The company's La Rioja plant in Argentina received the prestigious Advanced Special Award for TPM Achievement, reflecting the success they have seen since they began implementing TPM methodology in 2000. During his keynote presentation at the Awards ceremony earlier today, Marcelo Loiacono, Production Manager at the La Rioja factory said, "We started adopting the TPM methodology 12 years ago. Since then, we have turned one of Tetra Pak's smallest converting plants into a facility which offers the shortest market lead time for customers. This achievement wouldn't have been possible without a team-wide commitment to continuously driving operational performance improvement, supplying products of the highest quality, in the fastest lead-time, at the lowest possible cost."

Tetra Pak's Beijing plant also picked up a top honour, receiving the Special Award for TPM Achievement. The plant's outstanding performance has significantly reduced capacity losses and inefficiencies, while at the same time creating a better working environment for operators. In addition, packaging material options available to customers have been expanded and the quality of the product has improved, increasing customer branding opportunities and helping them to position and differentiate their products in a fast growing and ever-more competitive market. Outstanding performance has also resulted in shortened lead times, guaranteed continuous production and faster time to market, helping customers to deliver product innovation to consumers.

"By applying the TPM methodology at the Beijing plant we have been able to deliver additional value to customers, by securing their supply while expanding their choice. As a result, customer satisfaction in our products has increased," said Henry Su, Tetra Pak Factory Director in Beijing, China.

The JIPM is the world's leading organisation for production management evaluation and certification and among the world's most authoritative institutes for the evaluation of World Class Manufacturing (WCM) production implementation. TPM aims to reach zero machinery breakdowns, zero accidents and zero defects by involving all plant employees in the manufacturing process and integrating maintenance with production. The JIPM TPM awards demonstrate adherence to best-in-class practices and commitment to continuous improvement as a world class manufacturer in terms of controlling and improving the quality, environmental impact and cost of production.

The Tetra Pak 2011 TPM Excellence Awards Winners are:

Advanced Special Award for TPM Achievement

Tetra Pak SRL La Rioja - Argentina

Special Award for TPM Achievement

Tetra Pak (Beijing) Co., Ltd. - People's Republic of China

Award for Excellence in Consistent TPM Commitment

Tetra Pak Limburg Federal - Germany

Tetra Pak Danube Budaörs Factory - Hungary

Tetra Pak Iberia Tetra Pak Envases S.A. - Spain

Tetra Pak Packaging Solutions AB CE Sealing & Creasing - Sweden

Tetra Pak Taiwan Ltd. - Taiwan

Tetra Pak Gotemba K.K. - Japan

Award for TPM Excellence, Category A

Tetra Pak Packaging Solutions AB Supply Chain Operations - Capital Equipment Lund - Sweden

Tetra Pak Packaging Solutions SpA Supply Chain Operations - Capital Equipment Modena - Italy

Award for TPM Excellence, Category B

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Tetra Pak Materials LP - Sikeston Factory - United States of America

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