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Guidelines for Portable Plant Production Improvement

How important is replacement part delivery for your portable plant productivity?

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When your portable plant shuts down due to the need for change-out and there are no screening, sizing, crushing media or accessory replacement products available... parts and media delivery becomes very important to the success of your operation.

Here are some guidelines that will help during these challenging times:

Look for the “One-stop shopping experience” and look for the

“neighborhood shop” to minimize your change-out and down time. Vendors who have it all.... screening media, crushing replacement parts, accessories (screen rails, rubber, bolts, etc.) and vendors who are located close enough for quick delivery. All of these factors will help to keep your production moving.

Location, location, location...

Multiple locations are a factor – not only to be close to your working site but also, if need be, to quickly tap from another branch and provide the exact inventory you need.

Inventory

Vendors with ample / large inventory of the replacement parts and supplies you need can get them to you quickly. Ample inventory means quicker delivery. Look for a wide variety of product choices to meet your replacement needs....crushers, HSI/VSI parts, chutes, liners, screens....multiple accessories and cost saving products and choices to meet all of your needs.



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Loyal Vendors

Vendors who will help and stand by you during emergencies.....local/regional presence ...vendors with a provider/customer investment in your operation usually care about maintaining a good relationship. You don't have to wait weeks or sometimes months for offshore products. Look for suppliers who are regional but large enough to provide a quality manufacturing process and are ready to supply the inventory you need.

Knowledge in the demands of the material you are processing

Portable plants encounter various materials processing problems; look for suppliers who have regional material processing experience, those who know your region and the kind of obstacles the materials present. Reliable vendors can help with recommendations on products and choices.

Quality

Look for quality certified products and quality process in their manufacturing. Don't get caught with a patchwork fix that will increase your longer term costs and cause more downtime.

Is it a time to upgrade?

Sometimes upgrading screening media to hybrid, urethane, rubber or Clean Screens could be your best bet to increase production and decrease down-time.

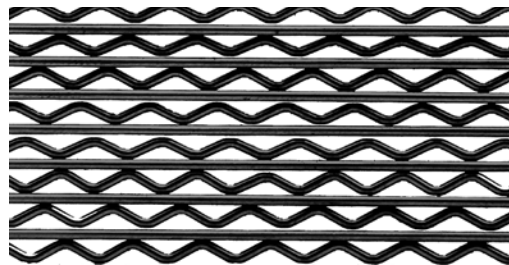
There are a variety of considerations: Do we have the right screening media for light or heavy production – tailored for the throughput we want? Have we considered renewable systems to cut back on change-out time? Will our budget allow an upgrade at this time?

Screening media choices

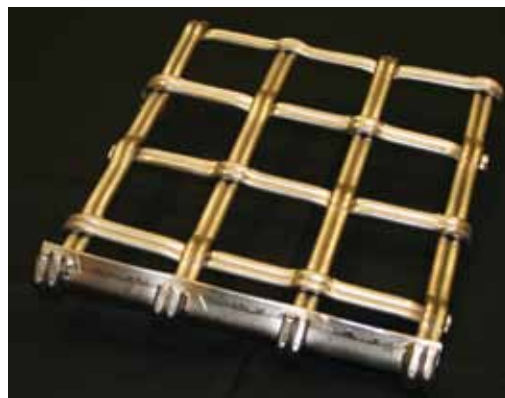
All screening media options should be examined; rubber, polyurethane and wire cloth, including traditional square openings, slotted openings, special weaves, TwinWire, Clean Screens, etc.

Rubber screening media can offer the greatest advantages for scalping and coarse dry screening. Rubber clad products with full steel backing are offered for high impact or heavy applications. Special fabrics and steel framed (reinforced) are offered to improve throughput in medium to fine dry screening. These products all offer low maintenance with higher initial costs for applications proven too severe for wire cloth.

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"W" Style -Clean Screen



TwinWire



FLOWMAX Rubber Modular Deck

Renewable polyurethane tension mats can be manufactured to match your specific screen deck requirements. Permanent deck modular solutions are available in rubber and urethane but are inflexible - other screening media cannot be used. One alternative could be a modular replacement system, which delivers flexibility to use other screening media. This system allows you to replace a module in seconds....or the whole screen panel in minutes.

Hybrid – A recent development in screening media is a urethane/wire screen combination called SuperFlow. This product has proven highly effective with damp/sticky materials and the product offers flexibility, longer life and accurate sizing/classifying.

Don't forget the effectiveness that traditional woven wire can offer! Some companies will be able to offer many wire size combinations for any given opening. This may allow you the greatest flexibility targeting your best options between strength vs. throughput.

Crushing on site

Crusher replacement parts are also needed quickly for on-site rock crushing in portable plant operations. Again, the right vendors will better deliver all of your necessary replacement parts quickly and reduce your downtime significantly. Vendor knowledge of your specific crusher will be a huge advantage when choosing the right profiled part.

Check vendors for your specific OEM cone, jaw or impact crusher replacement parts.

Do they stock HSI and VSI Parts? What is the quality rating and weight of their parts?

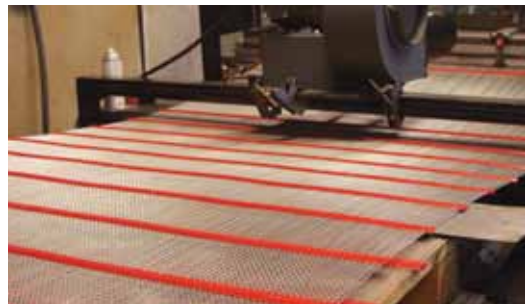
Can they also supply rails, bolts, fasteners, liners, chutes and everything else needed to keep your production moving?

When ordering crusher parts, be sure of what you are getting. The right vendor will get the right OEM part – which will fit your machine and be tailored with the correct profile to match your unique crushing flow.

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Polyurethane Modular Replacement System



SuperFlow



Crusher Jaws Ready For Delivery



Various Crusher Replacement Parts, Bolts and Fasteners

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