

Bagging Salt at the Fairport Mine

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ABSTRACT

An assembly of one hundred-pound bag packaging and handling machinery consisting of one International Paper Company Model AF Bagpacker, Mathews Conveyor Company stationary bag conveyors, and one Power Curve Conveyor Company flexible, mobil conveyor plus one bagging operator, two bag loaders and one-half fork lift truck operator can produce approximately one thousand bags per hour while palletizing, eight hundred while loading cars, or six hundred while loading trucks. Equipment modification was necessary to provide better lubrication and to adjust to field conditions. Selecting and training the right persons to bag is an important function. After an initial two years of operation, the same operators increased their bagging rate from an initial twenty-four bags per minute to twenty-five.