Soy Protein Concentrate Manufacturer Saves More Than US\$312,000 in One Year with New Spray System



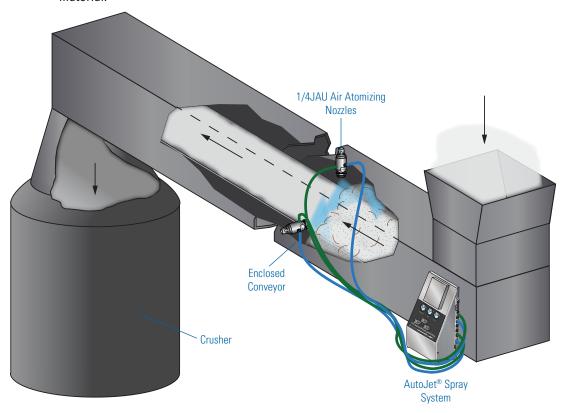


Problem:

A manufacturer of Soy Protein Concentrate (SPC) needed to prevent product loss as it moved along an open conveyor from a production area to a crusher and then to the packaging center. The value of the lost SPC was estimated at more than US\$300,000 annually. The manufacturer constructed an enclosure for the 50 m (165') conveyor but the powdered material continued to escape through small gaps in the tunnel structure.

Solution:

Spraying Systems Co.'s solution consisted of an AutoJet® Model 1550 Modular Spray System and three 1/4JAU air atomizing spray nozzles. The self-contained system includes an air operated double diaphragm pump. The spray nozzles apply a fine coating of soybean oil to the powdered SPC to slightly dampen the material and prevent it from becoming airborne. The nozzles are wall-mounted in the tunnel and provide complete coverage of the material.





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Results:

The uniform coating of soybean oil applied to the SPC by the AutoJet® Spray System has greatly reduced the loss of the valuable SPC powder. The manufacturer is saving US\$20,000 per month and offset the cost of the new spraying equipment in less than one month.

A CLOSER LOOK AT THE SYSTEM



Three 1/4JAU air atomizing nozzles are mounted in the enclosure and apply the soybean oil uniformly across the conveyor.





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