

## **Norplex-Micarta Invests in Tubing Facility To Improve Lead Time and Quality**

POSTVILLE, IA – Norplex-Micarta recently invested in several process improvements for its convolute tubing manufacturing facilities. The company has made upgrades to its tube grinding equipment to meet new power requirements, plus winding equipment upgrades for advanced controls and heat sourcing. These improvements



will enable a more precise manufacturing process. In addition, by utilizing internal models that schedule manufacturing by tubing size, Norplex-Micarta customer service representatives can accurately predict when an order will begin winding, thereby allowing them to commit to very specific delivery dates. Combined with Lean Manufacturing tools, this new system has significantly reduced lead times and product costs. Orders that used to take three to four weeks to fulfill, now start winding as soon as the next day after order placement and deliver on time at very competitive pricing. The company currently operates at 97.2% on-time delivery.

These investments represent Norplex-Micarta's commitment to delivering the highest quality product in the industry, while providing its customers with reliable service and cost-effective solutions.

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## **About Norplex-Micarta**

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