Two Wood Chippers Sold To New Manufacturers

Two wood and brush chippers are operating under new manufacturers. Safety Test & Equipment Company, Inc., Shelby, N.C., has purchased the WOOD/CHUCK line from Pitman Manufacturing Company.

The M-B Company, New Holstein, Wis., has acquired the Fitchburg Engineering Corporation's line of wood chipping equipment from the E. W. Bliss Company.

"We've redesigned and considerably improved the old WOOD/CHUCK," said Dennis A. Beam, Jr., STECO president. "For example, we've increased the weight of the flywheel to 350 lbs., and the line has been expanded.

"But we particularly want owners of the Pitman unit to know that we can service their machines. We purchased all inventories—old and new, tools, jigs, dies, patents, copyrights, and paid-up manufacturing rights."

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The Fitchburg chipper line presently consists of four models, the largest of which will reduce 14 1/2" wide wood slabs. Units are available as stationary or trailer-mounted.

Sales, engineering, and manufacturing functions have been transferred to the New Holstein plant, according to Les Blumberg, M-B vice-president.

"This famous line of chippers will fit perfectly into our distribution system and other municipal product lines," said Schmidtmann, M-B sales manager. "And we look forward to increased sales and top quality service through our large network of dealers throughout the country."

The M-B Company is one of the companies owned by Robert B. Evans, Detroit financier and industrialist.

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