

Technical Success Summary

Opportunity: Medical Imaging Bore Component

Customer has requested to change from hand laid up fiberglass to a plastic solution. This component would need to be prototyped prior to building production intent tooling to ensure that customer expectations are met; including structural, aesthetic, and environmental requirements.

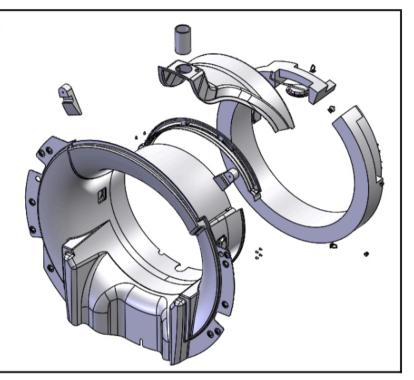
Results: -Repeatable process for formed, trimmed, and assembled features...tighter tolerance.

- -Reduced cycle times resulting in lower part price.
- -Formed in color resulting in a no paint solution.
- -Formed in texture, which was historically obtained by a painting process.
- -Elimination of VOC's during processing.

Current Material/Method/Structure, etc.

Initial concept design

- -Fiberglass -Hand laid in epoxy mold.
- -Manual placed inserts for undercuts.
- -Hand-trimmed perimeter/cutouts
- Post molding texture paint.



NEW Material/Method/Structure, etc.>

Final design

- -VO Rated PC/ABS
- -Formed in color per GE specification.
- -Pressure Form mold
 - -Machined using 3D file
 - -Tight tolerance features
 - -Upmost repeatability
- Automated mold features for undercuts.
- -5-Axis CNC trimmed perimeter/cutouts.



Opportunity: Light Tower Trailer Enclosures

Customer has requested to change from bent sheet metal to a light weight plastic solution. These components would need to be prototyped prior to building production intent tooling to ensure that customer expectations are met; including structural, aesthetic, and environmental requirements.

Results: -Repeatable process for formed and trimmed features...tighter tolerance.

- -Modern styling obtained from forming tooling.
- -Formed in color options resulting in a no paint solution.
- -High impact resistant material.
- -Elimnation of rust condition.

Current Material/Method/Structure, etc.>

Initial concept design

- -Sheet metal
- -Bending/welding
- Outdated design due to material limitations.
- -Painting required.



Final design

- -Durable HMWPE
- -Formed in color options per Terex specifications.
- -Deep draw thermoform molds.
- -Machined using 3D file
- -Tight tolerance features
- -Upmost repeatability
- -5-Axis CNC trimmed perimeter/cutouts.



