



Primetals Technologies sells copper rod mill to Southwire

To keep pace with growing demand, Jiangsu ZGR New Material Technology Co., LTD., signed a contract with Southwire Company, LLC, for an SCR-7000 copper rod mill. The new mill will be installed in Yixing, Jiangsu Province, China. Start-up is projected for mid-2019.

Southwire Company, LLC is responsible for engineering, supplying and supervising installation of the SCR-7000 system, which will produce electrolytic tough pitch (ETP) copper rods and copper silver alloys for electrical wire and cable applications. Primetals Technologies will provide engineering, equipment and installation supervision for the rolling mill equipment, which includes a 13-stand Morgan No-Twist mill, a 24-inch entry shear, intermediate shear, delivery and cleaning system, two pinch rolls, a rod coiler, coil conveyor



system with hydraulics, and two oil lubrication systems. The mill will run 48 metric tons per hour on 8 mm rods. It will also be capable of producing 9.5 mm, 12.7 mm, 16 mm and 18 mm diameter rods with an annual capacity of approximately 315,000 metric tons.

Yixing-based ZGR had previously purchased an SCR-4500 from a Southwire customer in 2012. The company specializes in the development, manufacture and sale of copper conductor wire. It has an annual production capacity

of 250,000 tons of copper and copper alloy wire billets for end products that can be widely used in telecommunications, electricity, electronics, automotive, aerospace and other industries.

Southwire Company, LLC, based in Carrollton, Georgia, USA, is North America's largest wire and cable producer. Southwire and its subsidiaries manufacture building wire and cable, metal-clad cable, portable and electronic cord products, OEM wire products and engineered products. Over the last 50 years, Primetals Technologies has built more than 110 non-ferrous mills and completed approximately 40 upgrades for Southwire customers.

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