

THE CUTTING EDGE OF TECHNOLOGY ... WITH GATES

The Gates Corporation, with worldwide headquarters in Denver (USA), is a world-leading manufacturer of hi-tech rubber belts and hoses for industrial, hydraulic, agricultural and automotive applications. Gates not only supplies to all major car and machine manufacturers, but also to the aftermarket. Automotive manufacturing, transport, agriculture, mining, construction, office equipment, computer technology and food processing are the primary industries it serves. Gates is synonymous with high-quality products and services that solve problems and add value.

At Gates you do not buy a mere product, you get complete, high performance and customised drive design solutions.

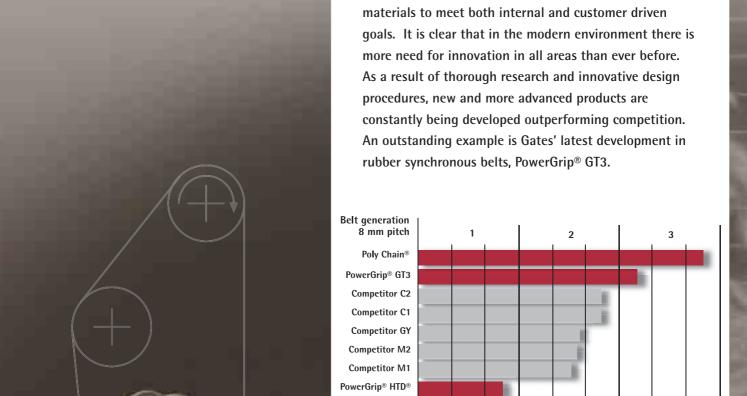
When you choose Gates, you get more than the strongest, most advanced Power Transmission product line. Behind our leading industrial products is an entire company of professionals, armed with solutions. Gates offers the kind of support that leads to trust and value.







WHY INDUSTRIAL DESIGNERS PREFER GATES



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Pulley: 28 grooves 8 mm pitch Belt: 20 mm wide

Torque in Nm at 10,000,000 cycles

Gates has a long history of creating new products and



their machines.

• Vehicles and engines

A special high-performance Poly Chain® 11 mm pitch belt is used on the BMW F 650 CS motorcycle model ensuring a low noise, smooth running synchronous drive, requiring no lubrication or retensioning.

For Peugeot M.T.C. Gates designed a variable speed belt to equip their scooter models. This special belt construction exhibits strong transverse rigidity, exceptional flex life and high shock and heat resistance.

Car accessories

In partnership with Oechsler AG, manufacturer of gearboxes and car accessories, Gates developed the Electronic Parking Brake, the actuator of which is driven by a Gates 3 mm pitch synchronous belt.

Office and computer systems

The new generation cash dispenser modules made by NCR incorporate several high precision drives. NCR decided to equip them with Gates PowerGrip® GT3 low modulus synchronous belts, which provide a positive drive with no slip.









Otis, a pioneer in escalator technology and one of the largest manufacturers of elevators worldwide chose Gates Polyflex® and Poly Chain® belts to secure the drives on their NCE escalator model. Gates developed two special Poly Chain® synchronous belts to power the main drive on the escalator.

Schindler, also one of the largest producers of elevators has developed a new elevator concept to provide less maintenance and higher durability. The new system fits all the necessary maintenance equipment in the elevator shaft, thus eliminating the need for a machine room. For this innovative technology and design, Gates developed a Long Length belt with strong steel cords from EPDM materials.

Heavy-duty agricultural equipment

Gates' belt drive systems power combines and harvesters designed by leading original equipment manufacturers like CLAAS, John Deere or Case New Holland.

Claas combines, for instance, are equipped with a special Gates PowerBand® multiple V-belt offering high resistance to shock loads, clutching and wear in combination with high flexibility.













From what was once a small company, the Gates Corporation grew out to become the world's leading manufacturer of rubber belts and hoses. Gates' history goes back to 1911.



1911

Charles C. Gates establishes the Gates **Leather Company**

1917

John Gates invents the rubber V-belt

1946

Invention of the synchronous belt

1963

Gates establishes its first European facility in Belgium

1986

Gates acquires **Uniroyal Power** Transmission

New manufacturing plants in Balsareny, Spain and Dumfries, Scotland are opened

1990

Gates becomes part of Tomkins PLC in London Opening of new manufacturing plant in Nevers, France

1996

Gates acquires the TEXROPE® Belt & Hose Unit from Kléber Industrie in France

1994

Tomkins completes Schrader-Bridgeport acquisition Gates signs agreement with Nitta Corp. to create Gates Nitta Asia Pacific Company (GNAPCO)

1998

Tomkins PLC acquires ACD **Tomkins PLC** Tridon acquires Stant

Corp.

1997

1999

A new manufacturing plant in Legnica, Poland is opened

2001

Tomkins concludes the acquisition of Stackpole, Canada

2003

Gates acquires **Mectrol Corporation's** polyurethane power transmission and motion control belt business and forms a new company Gates Mectrol

2004



GATES AND TOMKINS: GLOBAL SCALE, TRADITIONAL STRENGTHS



A Tomkins Company

In 1996, the Gates Corporation became part of the London-based industrial management company Tomkins PLC. Tomkins PLC is a world-class global engineering group with market and technical leadership across three specific business groups and employs over 40,000 people worldwide.

Tomkins PLC

Air System Components

Engineered & Construction Products

Industrial & Automotive

Turnover by strategic business activity

Air System
Components 14%

Engineered &

Engineered & Construction Products 21%

Industrial & Automotive 65%

Industrial & Automotive

The Gates Corporation is part of the Industrial & Automotive business group. This group manufactures a wide range of systems and components for the industrial and automotive markets through four main businesses: Powertrain, Fluid Power, Fluid Systems and Wiper Systems.

GLOBAL PRESENCE, GLOBAL SERVICE

The Gates Corporation's worldwide headquarters are located in Denver, USA. With 43 plants, 27 distribution centres and approximately 12,000 employees all over the world, Gates is present in all continents.

Gates Power Transmission Europe

Gates' European headquarters are located in Erembodegem, Belgium. The company's Industrial Power Transmission Division has a number of production and distribution centres as well as sales offices all over Europe.

- · Aachen, Germany
- · Balsareny, Spain
- Dumfries, Scotland
- · Erembodegem, Belgium
- Legnica, Poland
- Langenfeld, Germany
- Louvres, France
- Milan, Italy
- Nevers, France











Gates production facilities and distribution centres



Gates' products are manufactured in product dedicated plants, each of them specialised in specific power transmission products. Gates has production sites in France, Germany, Poland and Scotland, which all have warehousing facilities. Distribution centres for Gates Power Transmission Industrial Europe are located in Langenfeld (Germany) and Nevers (France). They are geared to ensure timely deliveries and ship to Gates customers across all of Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

Ease of ordering with Gates



Gates offers its customers electronic and online ordering facilities, which makes ordering products easy and flexible. On the one hand customers can order via EDI, on the other hand via Gates-online.com.

EDI stands for Electronic Data Interchange, the transfer of data between different companies using a network.

Gates-online.com, Gates' powerful and fast online product

ordering system, goes one step further. With Gates-online you can find your products, order and check your order status. You will enjoy more convenience in finding, ordering and tracking your Gates product purchases. It is intuitive and easy to use, convenience you will appreciate every day.



GATES' COMMITMENT TO QUALITY







Specialisation, research and quality control are the basis of Gates' success. Gates keeps investing in quality, research and development in order to meet its customers' current and future demands.

All Gates Power Transmission operations are ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 accredited. In addition to the international ISO 9000 and QS-9000 quality registration, Gates has also obtained certification for specific standards applicable to the automotive industry, such as VDA 6, EAQF and TS 16949. Furthermore, Gates facilities around the world have earned "Preferred Supplier" status and won numerous quality awards from their key customers.

As a worldwide belt supplier, Gates recognises its responsibilities towards both the local and global environment in which it carries out its business. It is Gates' aim to comply with relevant local, national and international legislation and codes of practice and to avoid any adverse impacts of its product and services on the environment. Thanks to this concern for the environment, several Gates operations have already obtained ISO 14001 certification; more will follow in the near future.

These significant registrations enable Gates to deliver better service to customers and ensure consistency of systems company-wide.

In short, they are evidence of the company's total commitment to quality.



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