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**Zim's Bagging Company Adds 10-color MIRAFLEX II Press
First Investment in W&H Technology**

Lincoln, RI – Windmoeller & Hoelscher is proud to announce its new partnership with Zim's Bagging Company of Prichard, West Virginia.

Zim's, a manufacturer of printed polyethylene rollstock, bags, and foam & bubble pouches, has invested in its first W&H press – a 59" 10-color MIRAFLEX II. The new press has been placed in service and running since July 1, 2019.

General Manager at Zim's, Kevin Worthy, stated: "After a thorough installation, the press is running and quickly meeting the speeds we expected. We currently out produce our older equipment by 3 to 1 with an expectation to increase our throughput to 4 to 1 as we become more proficient with this new technology."

To meet the company's standards for sustainable production, the MIRAFLEX II was supplied with TURBOCLEAN ADVANCED E inking and wash-up system with electric pumps that are energy efficient and save on both time and wash-up solvent usage. "This technology reduced an 8-color wash-up that used to take 1.5 hours manually to just 3 minutes in total for all 8 colors," added Worthy.

A closed loop solvent reclaim and recycling unit to allow for the reuse of ink and solvent waste was also installed.

The new press is equipped with W&H's own fully-integrated VISION web inspection system, including Defect Check and Bar Code check that provide operators with real time production data and control of the jobs on press.

The 55-year-old family company with just shy of 100 employees added a 12,000 ft² printing department to their existing facility to house the new MIRAFLEX II bringing this facility's footprint to a total of 62,000 ft².

Photo caption: The new MIRAFLEX II at Zim's Bagging Company's plant in Prichard, WV. From left, Andrew Wheeler (W&H), Kevin Worthy (Zim's), Javeed Buch (W&H) and Harry Zims (Zim's).

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