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**IPSEN REPORTS SALE OF
VACUUM FURNACE TO PCC AIRFOILS**

(May 30, 2006) Rockford, IL - Ipsen Inc. reports the sale of a VFS model vacuum furnace to PCC Airfoils in Merida, Yucatan, Mexico. The external quench furnace, model HEQ-5248-2 will be used for heat treating high-speed turbine blades. The chamber size is 36" x 30" x 48", and includes Ipsen's patented GraForm curved graphite heating elements, a graphite insulated hot zone, a 2 bar quench system, and exclusive CompuVac supervisory control system.

Shipment is scheduled for June, 2006. Ipsen was able to meet the six-week delivery requirement because the company had a speculation furnace in progress at the time of the order and was able to complete the basic unit quickly to meet the deadline. Ipsen typically has several models and sizes of speculation furnaces in production at any given time to meet the anticipated needs of typical heat treaters.

Ipsen International is one of the largest manufacturers in the world of vacuum and atmosphere heat treating furnaces for the thermal processing market.

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