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# How to Manage Clothing to Optimize Machine Performance

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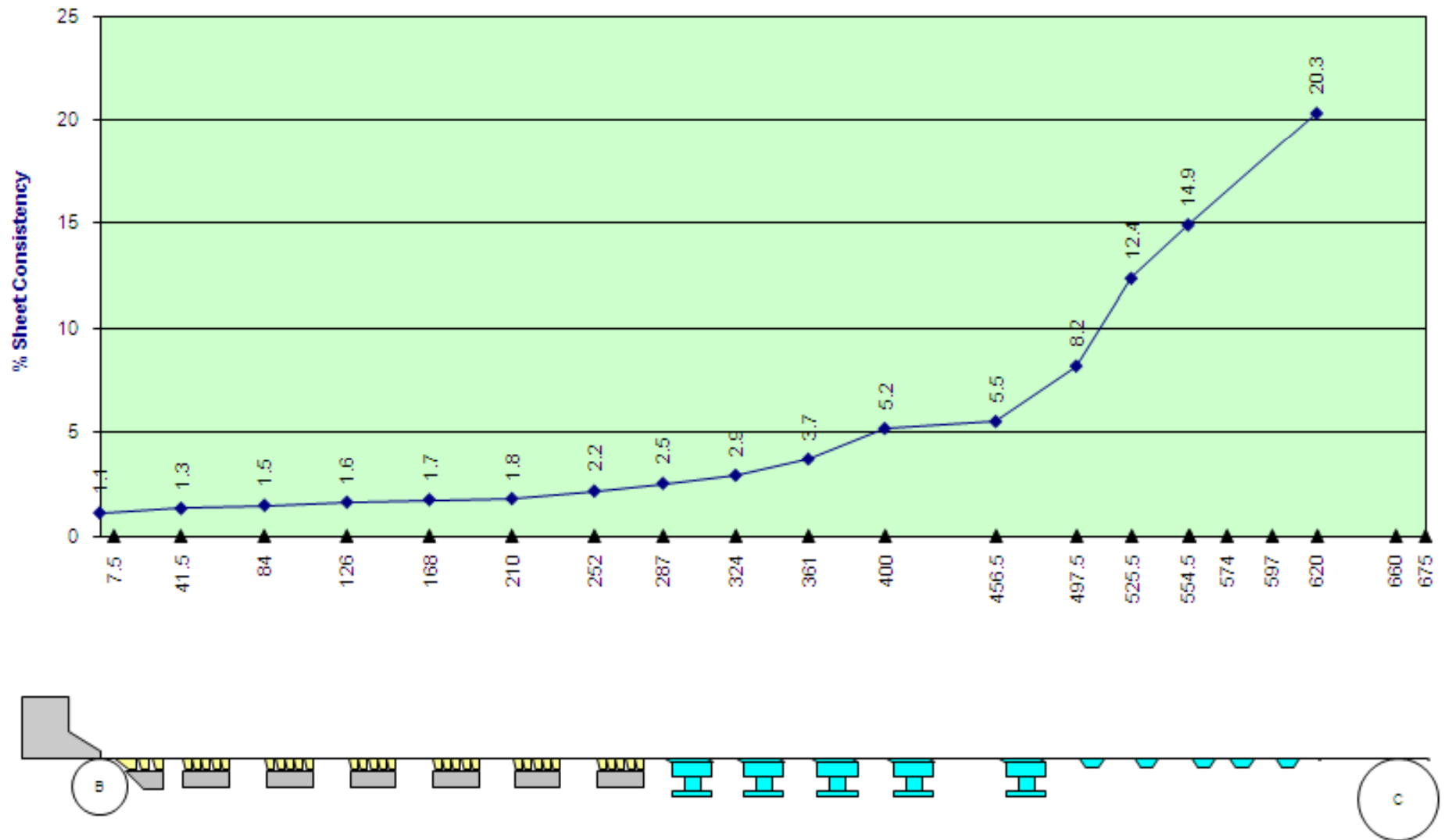
# “How to Manage Clothing to Optimize Machine Performance”

Chose the fabrics that have been developed to optimize your machine.

- Forming- drainage profile for formation and off couch solids
- Pressing –void volume and void retention for solids, sheet handling and desired sheet properties throughout run cycle
- Dryer –sheet handling and contamination management to allow proper heat transfer throughout life of fabric.



# Drainage Profile



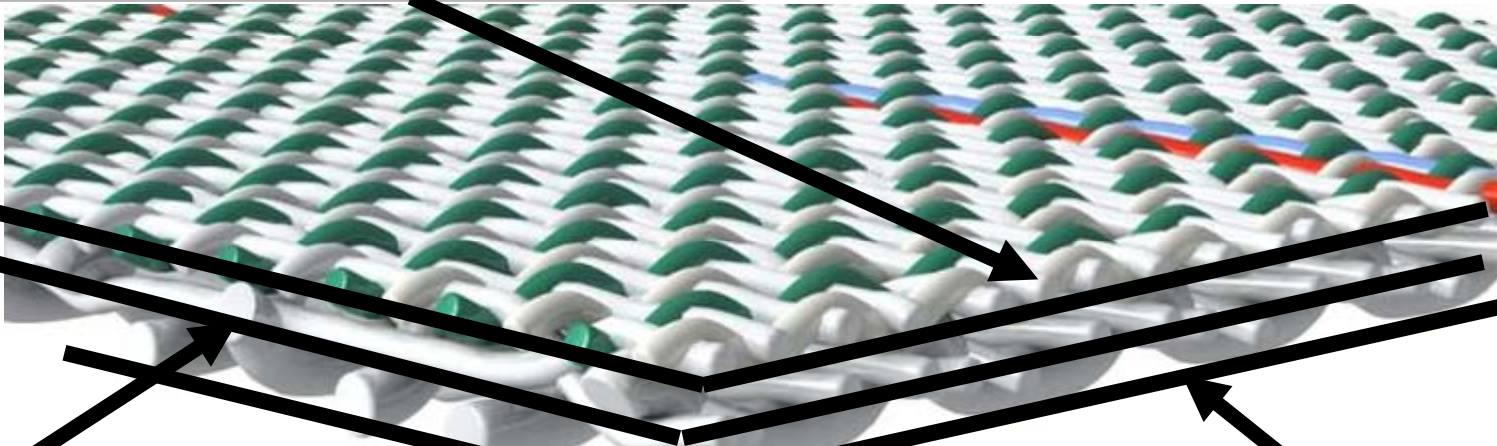
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## Top Surface Plane:

Designed to optimize sheet quality  
(% drainage area, Fiber Support  
Index, frame length)

## EDPs (engineered drainage planes)



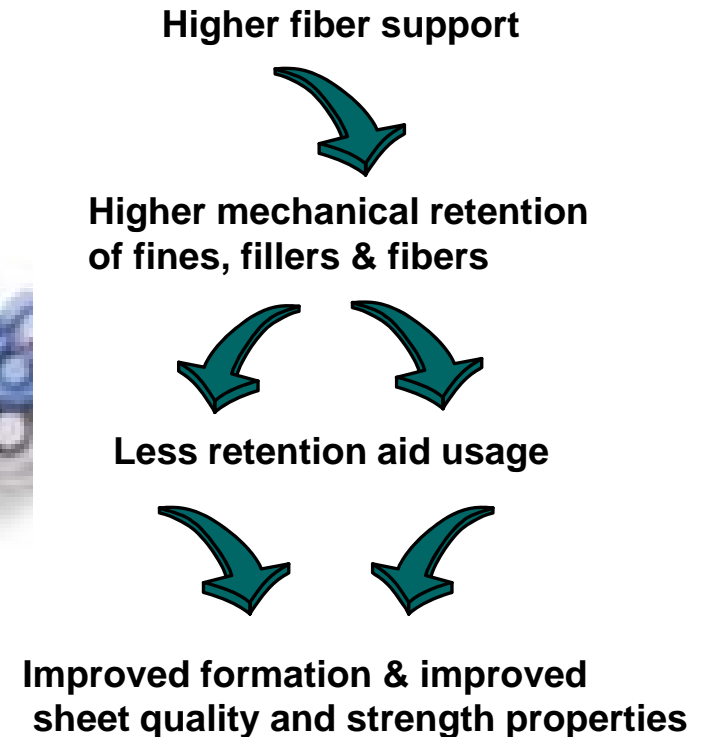
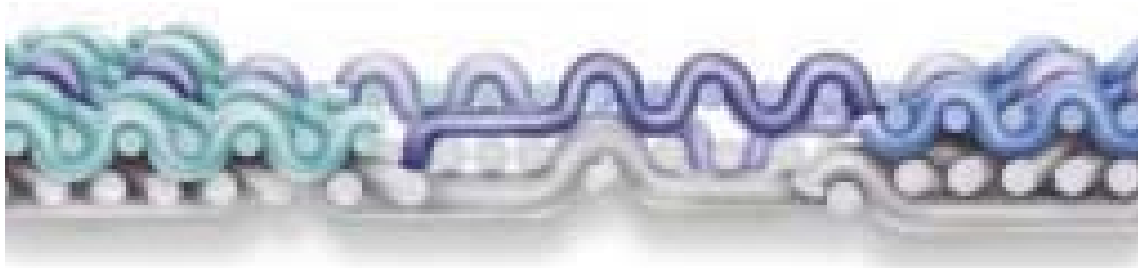
**Center Plane:** Engineered to control impingement pressures by having a Center Plane Resistance™ for Float Forming™ in which the required resistance to flow (back pressure) can be engineered to limit fiber embedment:

**Bottom Surface plane:**  
Designed for stability and life potential while maintaining the desired openness

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## Concept 1: Fine Mesh SSB (100 X 100)

Established philosophy of increase FSI / support points produces a better draining sheet with superior properties.



**The key to stability in ultra- fine mesh structures is the use of an “Engineered Polymer”**

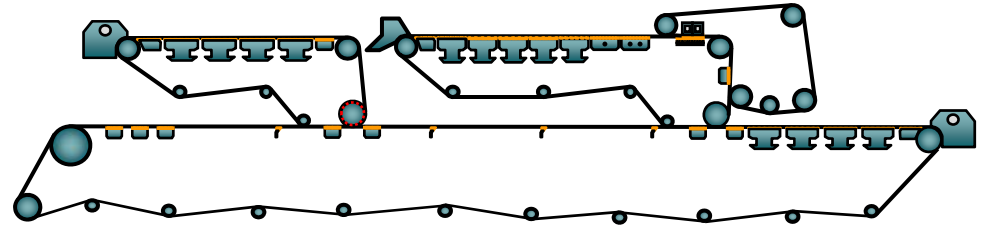
**25% Increase in Filament Elastic Modulus compared to standard Polyester !!!**



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# Case Study Bleached Board



- CenTec was used to replace a high CD count SSB (146x180) on the base position
- Results:
  - 50% decrease in Retention Aid usage!
  - .5 to 1 Parker Print Smoothness improvement!
  - 15 pt Sheffield Smoothness improvement!
  - The machine is running cleaner!
  - Creates the opportunity to reduce coating usage which would save between \$250K and \$500K a year!



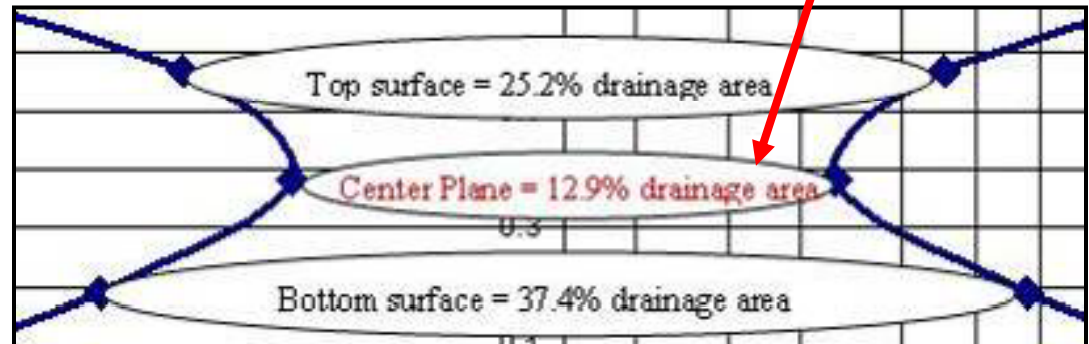
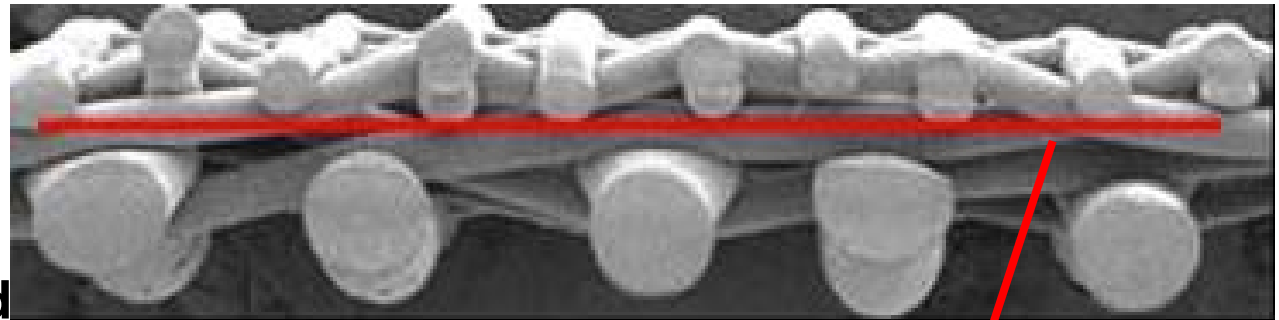
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## Concept 2 - Warp Integrated Triple Layer with CPR(center plan resistance)

- The machine direction tied forming fabric structure is constructed by integrating all the warp yarns into both the top and bottom surfaces.

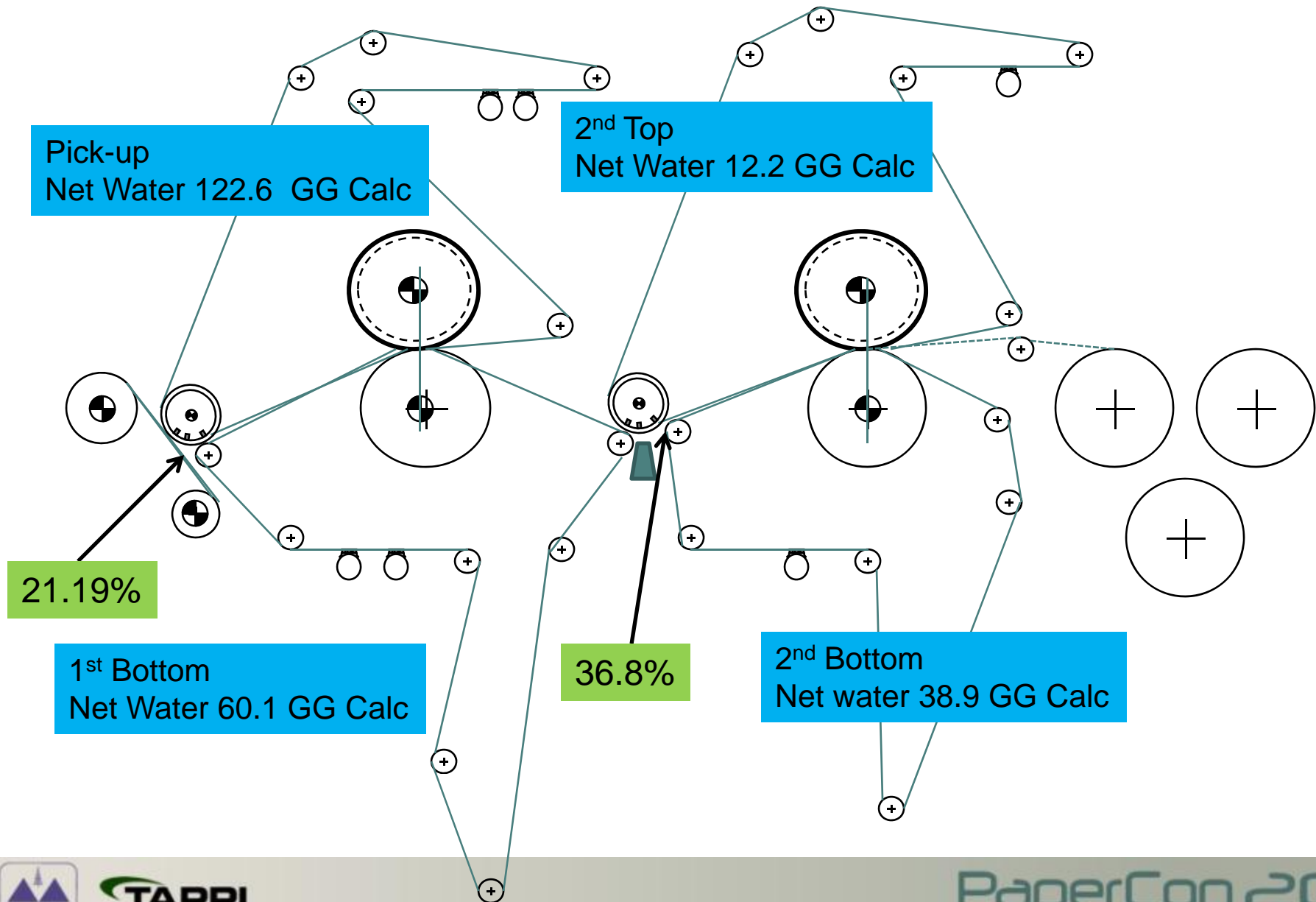
The design benefit is that a center plane can be “engineered” to provide a controlled resistance to the very high impingement velocities and volumes found on the modern high speed paper machines (Float Forming™).



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# Press Water Balance



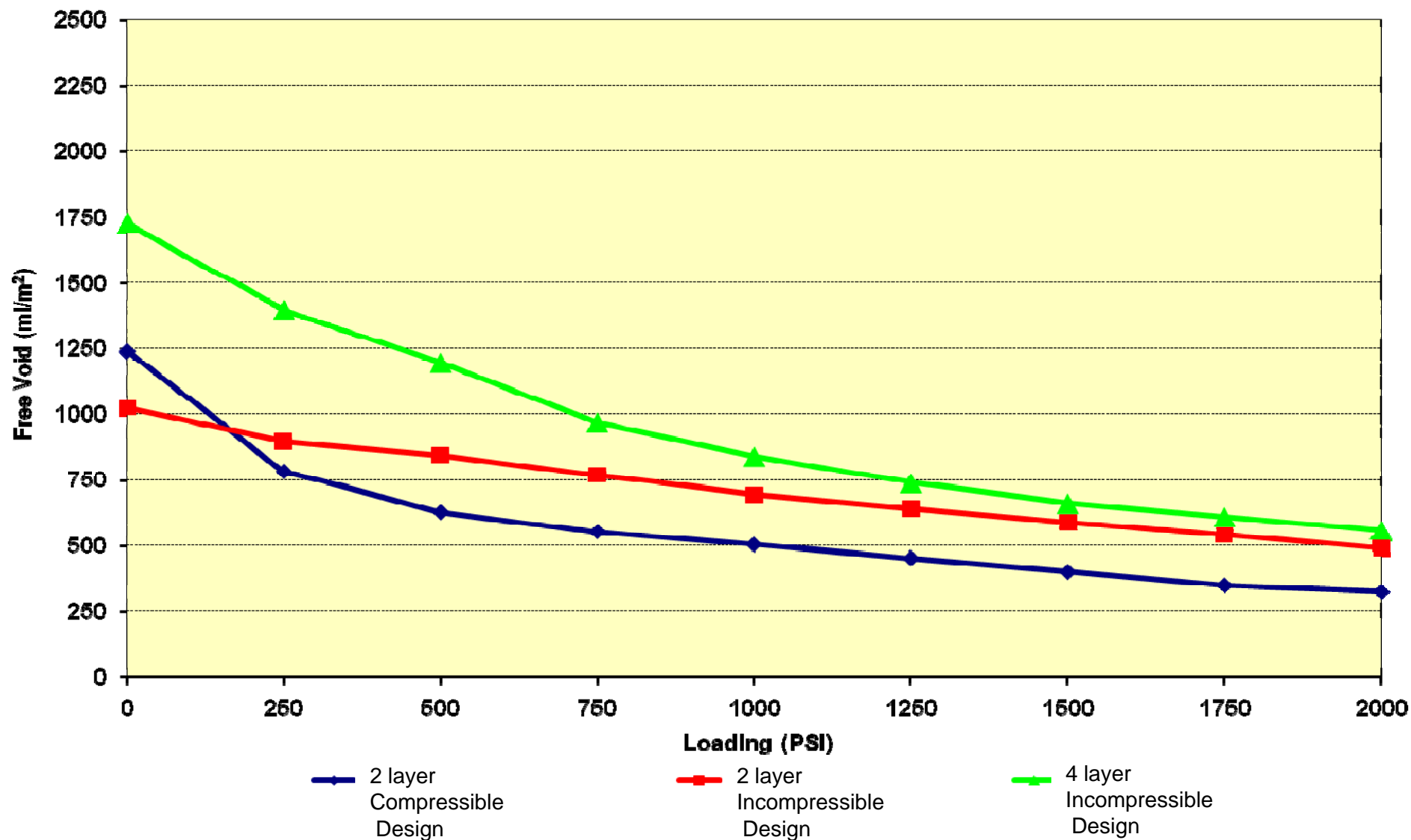
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# Void Volume Under Load

## Void Volume Retention



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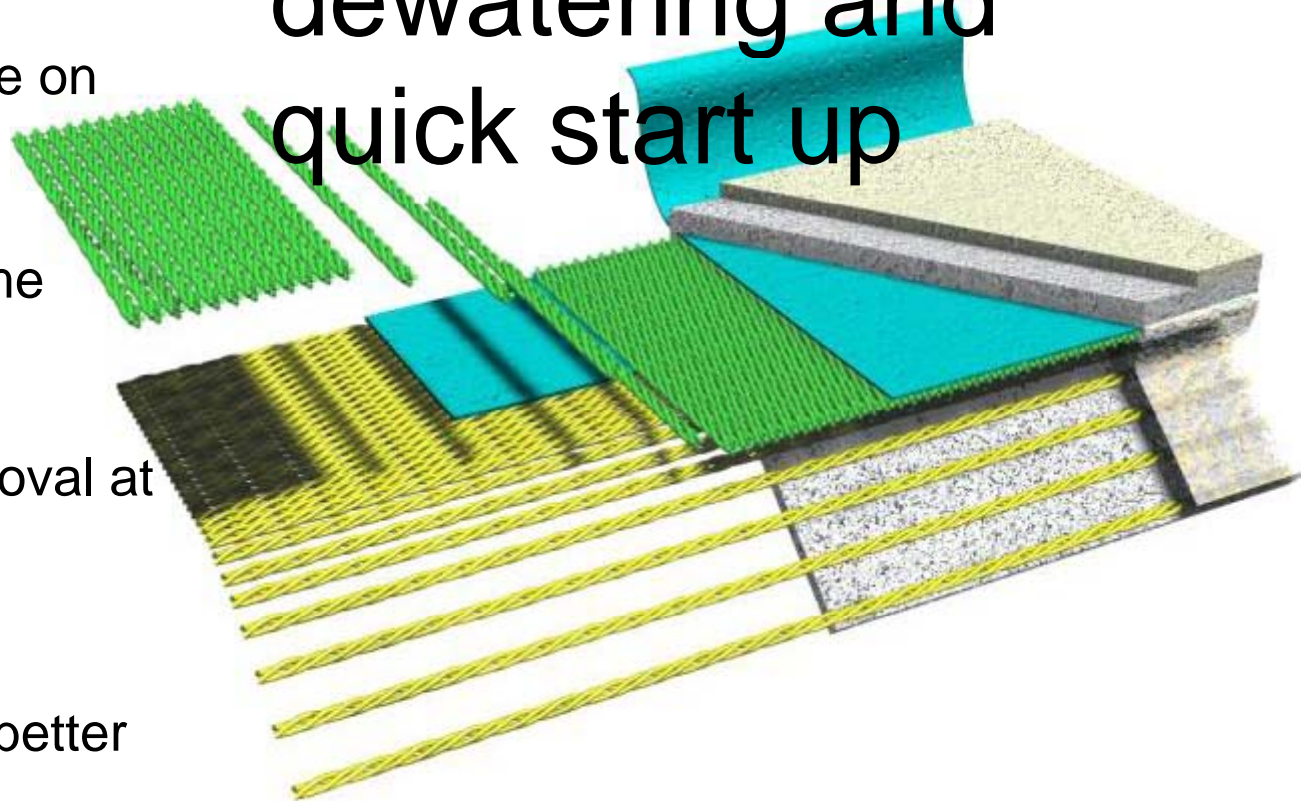
# Non-Woven Technology: Non Woven bases



*Non-woven yarn array allows higher mesh counts and lower compressed void*

- Reduces dependence on vacuum
  - Energy savings
- Reduces Break-in time
  - Energy or increased productivity
- Facilitates water removal at nip
  - Energy or increased productivity
- High mesh provides better sheet support
  - Printability/Bulk

## Thin for nip dewatering and quick start up



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# Press Felts

## Laminated Single Seam High Void Fabric

- Increased water removal
  - Reduced steam consumption
- Improved seam durability
  - Reduced seam mark
- Increased smoothness



Save Energy

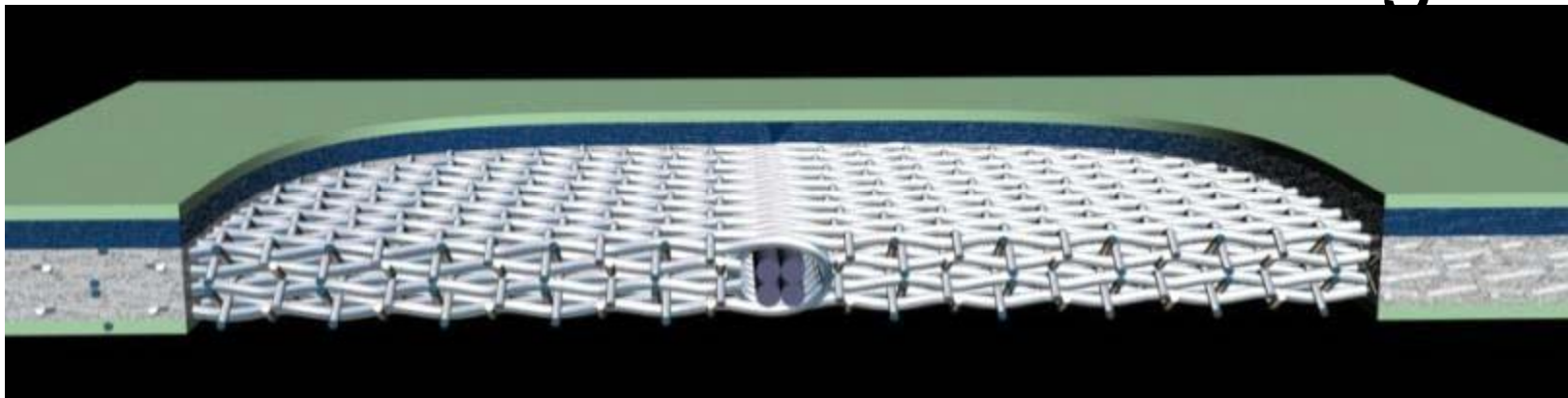


Increase Life



Improve Sheet Properties

Thick for  
maximum  
uhle  
dewatering  
and long life



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# AccuFlow™ Case study



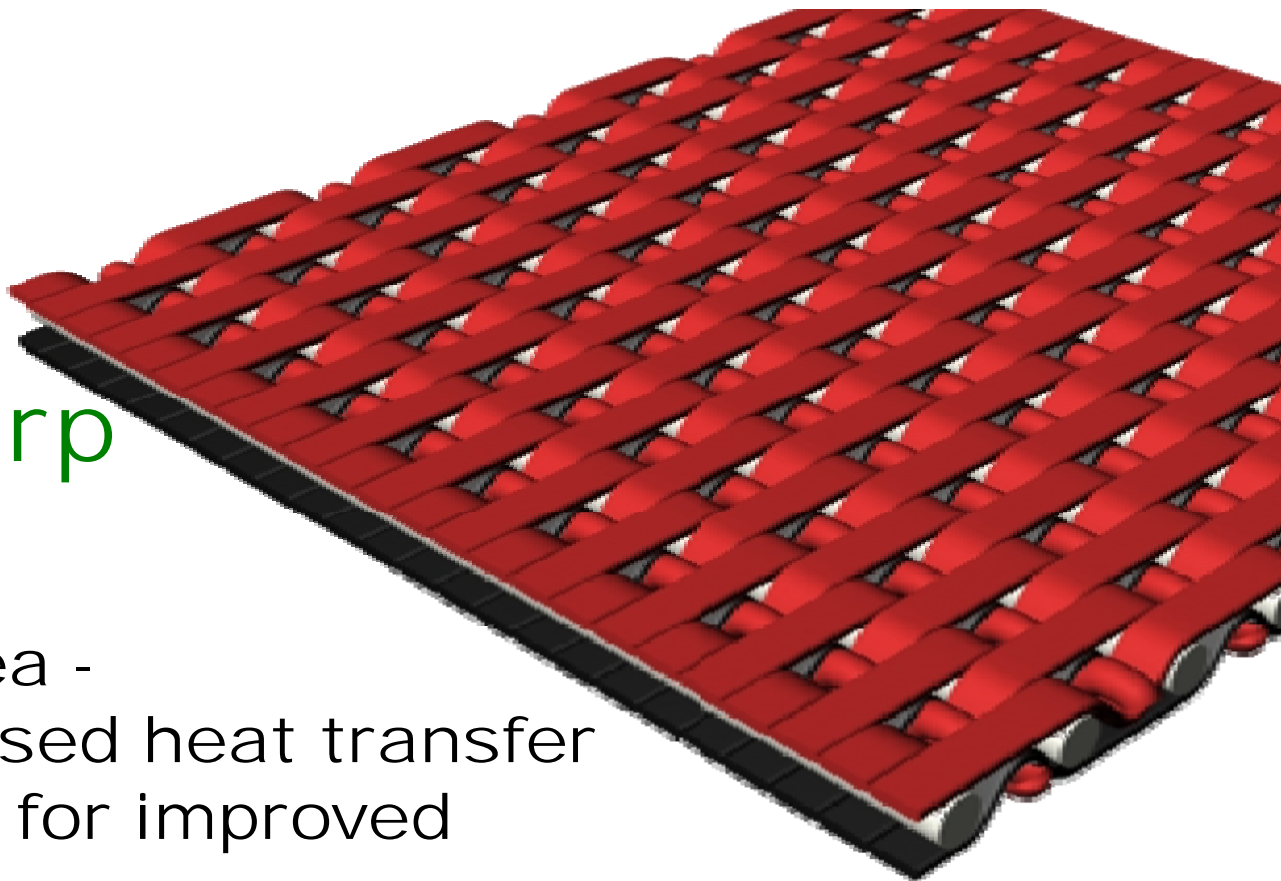
Position:	Pickup and 1 <sup>st</sup> Bottom	Grade:	Linerboard- (23-42#)
Speed:	2500 fpm		
Trial Objective:	Improve drying, reduce filling, eliminate center/return roll build –up		
Current Product:	Pickup: competitive 3 layer seamed- 1 <sup>st</sup> Bottom: competitive 2 layer seamed		
Install Date:	6/30/2010	Life:	63 days
Comments:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Set 4 new all time production records- 2 monthly, 2 daily</li> <li>-Uhle box vacuums remain low, even with broken HPS on PU</li> <li>-No center roll picking and reduced build-up on outside return roll</li> <li>-Reduced filling on 1<sup>st</sup> Unirun dryer felt</li> </ul>		



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# Dryer Felts- Flat Yarn Stacked Warp Platform



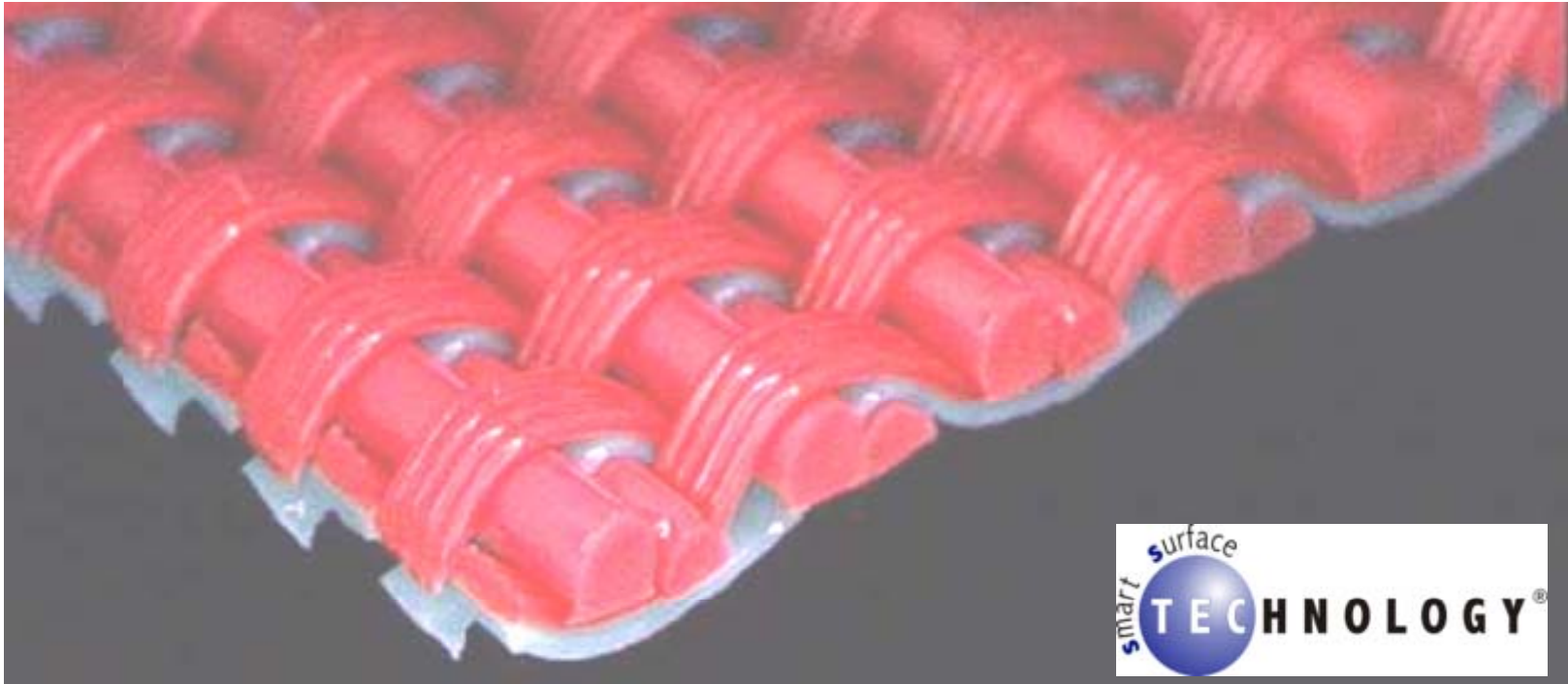
- High contact area - providing increased heat transfer
- Low air carrying for improved sheet control
- Increased abrasion resistance for longer life
- Two layer MD construction provides resistance to damage



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- Smart surface technology designed with a structured fabric surface for ideal contamination management through longitudinal grooves and a high number of small contact points
- 25% higher number of contact points
- Very easy to clean
- Maintains 2 separate warp systems for improved security
- Low caliper ... 0.061" (1.55 mm)
- Perm offering 100-350 cfm

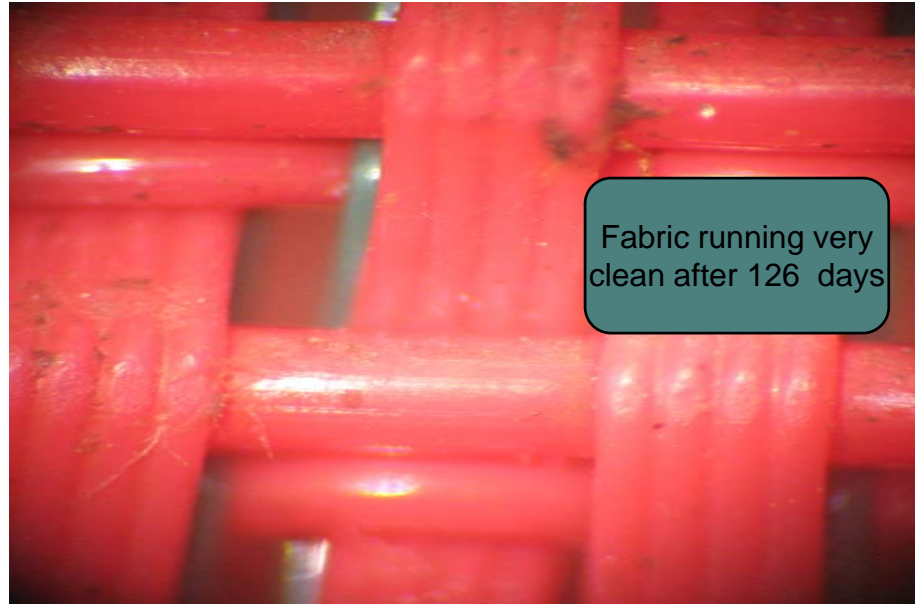


# Trial Success!

Position: 2<sup>nd</sup> Bottom

Grade: Coated Free

Speed: 2,500 ft/min



## The Story:

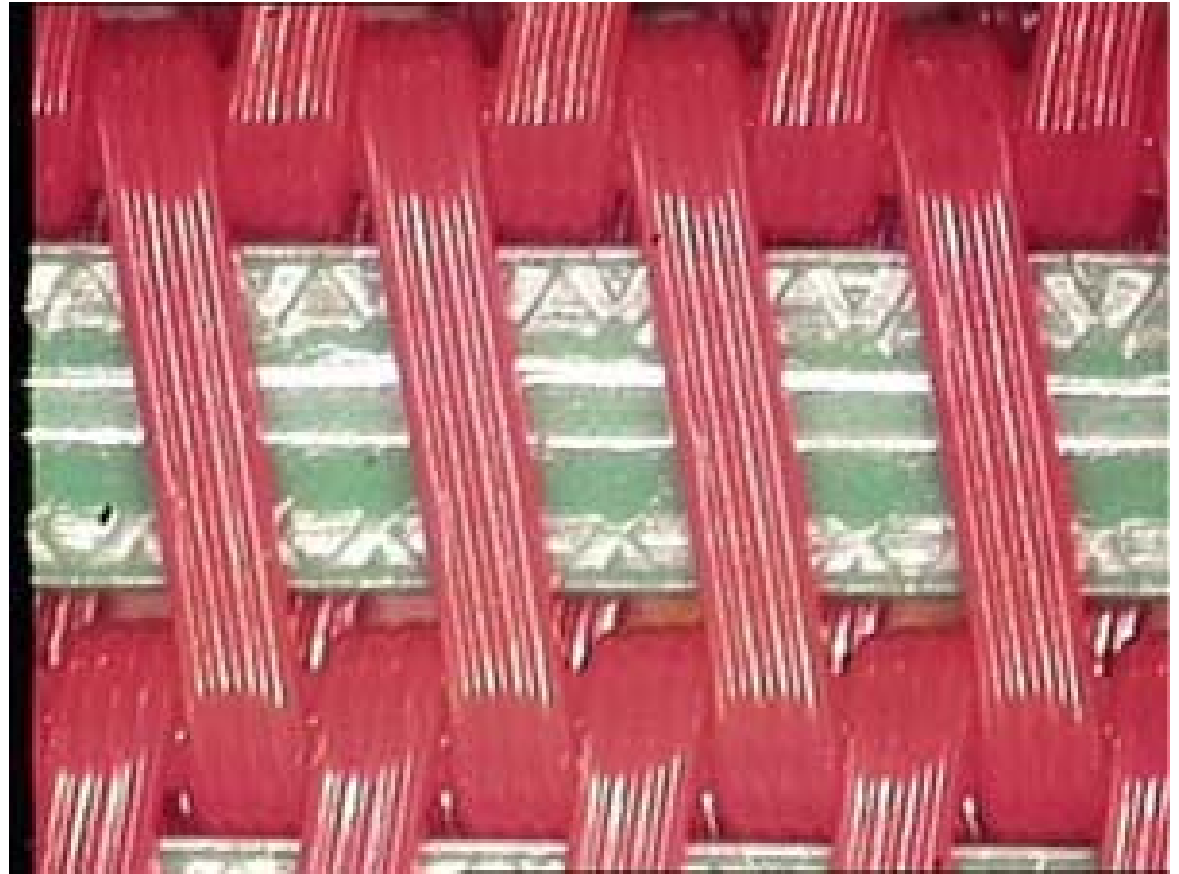
This is a contamination prone position where the sheet develops dull spots requiring a shut down to wash the fabric to remove .5mm size particulates that cause the spots. After a 379 day run, the permeability was virtually the same as

new and the **CleanTec** had **no particulate build up, no issue with dull spots, and cleaning frequency was reduced.**



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- Structured surface for improved contamination management
- Excellent Abrasion Resistance
- Excellent Edge Wear Resistance
- No Seam or Weaveback Area to wear or mark
- Ability to repair (remove) damaged areas
- Low permeability for single tier positions -110 CFM and higher



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# So How Do You Manage Clothing to Optimize Machine Performance

- Understand your goals for a particular section
- Understand the design characteristics
- Understand the design benefits
- Clothing suppliers have developed products with optimizing your machine in mind. Work together to choose the correct designs.

THANK YOU



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