

THE CONTRACTS WITH BAUERMEISTER AND WENGER HAVE BEEN SIGNED FOR DELIVERY OF THE EQUIPMENT

Beginning June 2008, the contracts for the two new production lines have been signed: one for fullfat and defatted flour production, the other for different textured soy protein (TSPs) production. Both investments are included in Sojaprotein's Investment Plan for 2008/2009. Bauermeister and Wenger are the world's leading manufacturers of such equipment, being particularly specialized in soybean processing. In Sojaprotein, their lines have been running since 1983.

Bauermeister will deliver fullfat & defatted flour production line with capacity 1t/h for fullfat, respect. 2,5 for defatted flour. The Universal Mill type UM63, air classifier type BM-CL 6 and other auxiliary devices are included. The most important feature is the additional equipment for deposits preventing due to specific characteristics of material to be ground (sticky, with tendency for deposit formation). In addition to continuous production of fullfat flour, with shorter and less frequent cleaning of the equipment, the production of lightly toasted defatted flour (raw material for new TSPs production line) will be provided. The investment costs are 470,000 Eur and the equipment will be delivered in December 2008.

Different types of TSPs will be produced on new Wenger's extrusion line, starting with soy flour (50% protein) or soy concentrates (70% protein) as raw materials. Twin-screw extruder 168 MAG ST, dryer/cooler model 24S41-2 and other auxiliary equipment, mainly patented by Wenger will be included. The production capacity is 2,2-3,0t/h, depending on type of product (chunks, slices, minced form and flakes). In addition to the increased capacity, from existing 12.000t/year to 30.000t/year, the assortments of product will be widen, concerning size, shape regularity and features important for final application. The flexibility to the raw material quality fluctuations will be provided as well. The additional drier/cooler model 15S41-2 is included also, because the complete line for extruded fish feeds will be relocated to VZ Subotica. The investment costs are 3.088.000 US\$ and the equipment will be delivered beginning May 2009.

Finally, it should be emphasized that besides Russia, Romania, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary and former Yu countries, there are also potential markets in Greece, Turkey and Middle East for such soy protein products. After those investments, one third of processed soybeans, i.e. 100,000 t/year will be related to high profitable soy products intended for Food Industry and human consumption. The rise of prices for more than 30% on the world's market will contribute to higher profitability of Sojaprotein in upcoming years.

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