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## World Premiere Fast-to-Market® Program for Extrusion Blow Molds (EBM) - Units in 7 days

Wentworth Mold Inc. introduced at K'2004 a world premiere for its Fast-to-Market® program for EBM unit blow molds. This program has been highly successful for unit PET blow molds, consistently delivered in 7 days or less dependent on bottle shape. Wentworth has now designed an identical program for EBM unit molds capable to run on all standard shuttle machine platforms e.g. Bekum, Techne, Hesta, Comec and other shuttle machines.

The program consists of the following elements:

- Single point of contact at customer and technical sales at Wentworth
- Standardized and simplified ordering process
- Patent pending mold design utilizing an EBM carrier and shell mold
- Customer to supply full 3D parasolid file via protected ftp site
- Manufacture of molds via Wentworth's dedicated FTM® department in Hamilton, ON
- FTM® department equipped with pre-finished mold blanks, 5-axis hi-speed CNC machining centers (with cutting speeds of 24,000rpm) and CNC lathes, including dedicated design, programming and toolmakers.

Typical deliveries for this technology range from **3 days** for a simple round or oval bottle/cavity shape, and up to **7 days** for a more complex, handleware bottle/cavity shape. Traditional routes for EBM bottles and containers would require unit molds being customized to machine technology, and also have extended deliveries of 3-4 weeks or more.

Several North American customers have already been introduced to this new FTM® program and are in the process of developing a partnership program with Wentworth to help enhance their speed to market for new bottle/container projects. Utilizing Wentworth's proprietary FTM® technology and lean manufacturing process allows customers to meet the faster demands for new product developments.

For further details the FTM® carrier and shell mold were on display at Wentworth's booth (Hall2, G10) at K'2004.

The Packaging Mold Group consists of Wentworth Mold Inc., and Electra Form Industries Inc., and is a division of Wentworth Technologies Co. Ltd., the No. 1 independent manufacturer and global leader in mold-making and related plastics processing to the packaging industry. The Wentworth Packaging Mold Group supplies

PET preform injection molds from single cavity FTM® stacks to 144 cavity Micropitch production molds and blow mold tooling for all types of machines for PET, EBM, IBM and ISBM applications. Wentworth Technologies is recognized as the Best Value Supplier in its niche markets.

Notes: Bekum is a registered trademark of Bekum Maschinenbau GmbH, Comec is a registered trademark of Uniloy Milacron, Hesta is a registered trademark of Graham Machinery Group Inc., and Techne is a registered trademark of Techne S.p.a.

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