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In-Line Distressing System Replaces Tumbling Operations

The demand for high-end block appearances such as those produced by tumbling, and with lean manufacturing becoming more important than ever, the need to achieve these costly product lines more efficiently has become an issue for many manufacturers. Equipment Design Group has developed the Rusticator E.D.S. or Enhanced Distressing System to replace such costly tumbling operations.

The Rusticator E.D.S. is an in-line concrete block distressing or “anti-queing” machine that provides all the efficiencies of an in-line system. The Rusticator can process up to 30 units/min while achieving the high-end tumbled-like appearances that the market demands. The Rusticator only requires one person to oversee the entire process, thereby significantly reducing labor costs, and a loss percentage of less than 1% compared to tumbling which can be as high as 20-25%.

The Rusticator E.D.S. is the latest version of in-line distressing machines that Equipment Design Group has been designing and manufacturing since the year 2000. A patented three-stage system has evolved into a combination of two distressing technologies that pro-



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duce the rival appearances that are possible when distressing with the Rusticator. Completely adjustable and versatile enough to process single or double-sided units from heights of 3 inches up to 20 inches plus, the E.D.S. gives manufacturers the ability to distress virtually any segmental retaining wall unit or concrete masonry unit.



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