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Product News—For Immediate Release

When it's in sequence, it's all good.

Greer, SC—Creform Corporation, a manufacturer of unique products for material handling structures has designed a cart to handle the movement of sequenced production parts for an automotive OEM. The cart, with bumper brackets to ward off damage and to provide part protection was designed specifically to increase the efficiency of parts handling and safety throughout the assembly operation.

The cart helped the OEM augment its lean manufacturing operation and support its 5S initiatives. It is constructed with Creform's ESD 28mm components to fulfill the customer's anti-static requirement. The unit features a Creform heavy-duty hitch for regular towing through the automotive assembly plant. It can be towed in a train of three behind a manned tugger.

It features two levels, each with four distinct compartments. The slots are open at either end for easy load/unload, while each level features a half-inch plastic shelf that is divided into four distinct compartments. The 28 mm pipe ensures parts are separated for protection and easy sequenced retrieval. The open design of the cart also makes all the shelves visible to help enhance visual inventory management. Surfaces are wide so that parts can be spread out to avoid tangling and improve picking efficiency.

Further, parts are handled directly on the cart eliminating the need for boxes or totes which helps reduce waste and improves efficiency for the associate.

The cart is designed to hold two hours' worth of parts inventory for this OEM and is designed to be filled in the supermarket storage area and then moved directly to a lineside location on the production floor. It has four large swivel casters with 8 in. diameters for easy rolling, repositioning and stability. Locks can be an added option. The cart pictured has overall dimensions of 48" L x 48" H x 76" W. It has a load capacity to 250 lb.

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As with all Creform carts, higher capacity and custom cart sizes and configurations are possible with the Creform system of 28 mm, 32 mm and 42 mm plastic coated steel pipes and metal joints.

A wide variety of pipe color options are available and multiple colors can be implemented for department or product identification. The modular design of Creform carts allows the user to add only the accessories needed. Upgrade hitches are available for AGV delivery.

Accessories include hooks, label holders for shelf levels or even shelf positions, writing surface with clip boards, etc. Creform carts are available as a kit, assembled structure or in component form for a complete DIY solution

The Creform System is used to create an array of material handling and efficiency enhancing devices and is a proven component in continuous improvement and Lean Manufacturing programs. The company partners with customers in developing and implementing these programs.

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Caption CRE-614: Creform cart for sequenced production parts.