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### **THALETEC:** Rooted in Tradition Fueled by Innovation

- 1. THALETEC: roots in 1686, merger of metal-working tradition and German technology
- 2. Glass-lined steel: provides the corrosion resistance of glass and the strength of steel
- 3. Glass-types: different glass-types for different applications
- 4. Glass-lined stirred reactors: from less than a gallon to 10,000 gal. in volume
- 5. Glass-lined storage vessels: up to 25,000 gal. in volume
- 6. Glass-lined heat-exchangers: game-changer for reactor cooling and waste-heat recovery
- 7. Glass-lined Columns: to 2 m φ and 5 m long per section
- 8. Glass-lined Pipes & Fittings

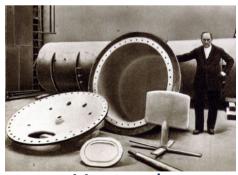
#### THALETEC: Tradition + Innovation in Glass-lined Steel

**Started in 1686, THALE IRON WORKS** has been a leader in metal working in the Saxony-Anhalt region of Germany for over 300 years! At one time, employing some 4400 skilled metal workers.

From the mid-1800s, THALETEC has been producing Enameled-(glass)-steel equipment for the chemical, pharmaceutical and food industry at the same location in a 44,000 m2 (400,000 sft.) manufacturing facility.

**THALETEC:** Tradition + Excellence!

**Tradition matters; Quality shows!** 



Yesterday



Today



### THALETEC GmbH in recent years...

- Company formed: 2007
- Publicly traded (new ownership): 2021
- Headquartered in Thale, Saxony-Anhalt
- Production area: approx. 400,000 sft.
- 200 employees
- R&D-centric: A culture of innovation
- Recent entrant into America!



## **THALETEC Glass-lined Product range**

**Agitated Reactors** to 10000 gal.

**Chemical storage vessels** to 25000 gal.

**Glass-lined Columns**:  $2 \text{ m} \Phi \times 5 \text{ m}$ 

**Glass-lined heat exchangers** 

**Other Glass-lined products:** Valves

pipes & fittings.















## **Every step of glass-lining impacts outcome**

- Surface preparation of metal plates
- Computer controlled cutting and welding
- Polishing of internal welds and surfaces
- Preparation of glass frits
- Glass-lining: controlled application
- Final assembly and testing

Range of production:

Vessels: 50 – 100000 I (25000 gal)

Reactors: 63 – 40000 I (10000 gal)

Weight: 40 tons

Dimension: Ø 4 m x 10 m

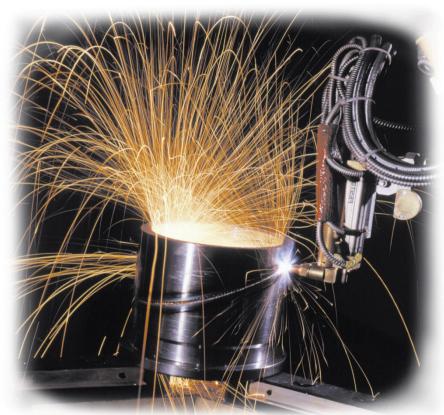






#### **THALETEC** production:





**Computer-controlled automatic flame-cutting machine** 



- Submerged-arc automatic welding machine: minimal heat affected zone (HAZ) for up to 100 meters of weld seams per unit.
- Why is this important from a glassing perspective?
  - HAZ alters the properties of the base metal which then affects glassing quality during firing in the furnace

- Automatic <u>internal</u> <u>grinding machine</u> to polish body and dished ends.
- Perfectly prepped steel surfaces provide the perfect base for the glass-lining.



### Optimal surface qualities

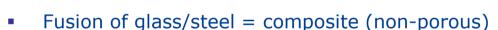
- Good chemical resistance
- Thermal stability
- Mechanical strength
- Biologically neutral
- No contamination from leaching of trace elements
- Excellent smoothness and release properties
- Steam sterilizable
- Impervious to gases

Glass-lined Steel has naturally excellent properties and is very strong!



## **Glass-lining**

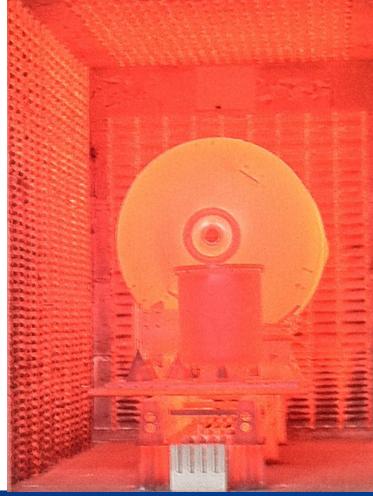
- Glasslining:bonding of glass to a metallic substrate
- Application procedure
  - Wet: Spraying a water-based slurry
  - Dry: Electrostatic application (PUESTA)
- Layer drying and firing process up to 930°C



- Multiple repetition of the firing process (layer thickness from 35 to 90 mils)
- Quality checks after each firing



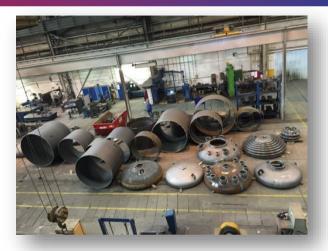






# Vertical Integration: Impact on Quality.

- Better control over
  - Quality
  - Costs
  - Delivery
- Flexibilty: work with customers and design/build to your needs!
- Made in Germany











# **THALETEC Reactor Efficiency: 3 legs of the Stool**

#### 1. Mixing:

- Agitation-creates motion
- Baffling –creates turbulence

#### 2. Heat Transfer Area:

- Jacket design
- Agitating Nozzles
- Power-Baffle

#### 3. Glass-lining

- Standard Glass
- Thermal Glass
- Alkali Glass
- Abrasion glass
- Conductive (Static Dissipating) glass
- Polymer Glass



# Glass-lined Bottom-outlet Valves: Gas + Liquid = Reaction

