Team 506: Corning Plugger Pallet Short Part Stabilization

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Project Objective

The objective of this project is to produce a stabilization system to protect ceramics on Corning's conveyor while reducing the required manual labor.

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Project Background





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Critical Targets



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Top 3 Concepts Generated



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Concept Selection



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Final Selection

Self-Nesting T

- Similar to working design
- Trigger activated and collapsible
- Uses mechanism on conveyor to activate



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Vertical Retraction and Expansion



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Vertical Retraction



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Vertical Expansion





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Actuation Mechanism

Rack and Pinion Slider

- "Z" shaped rack allows simultaneous rotation
- Slides in a slot on the outer wall
- Raised outer wall allows for particle flow



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Lever Arm and Slider Joint

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Connection Map Flow Chart for Electronics

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Corning RFID Integration

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 <u>Mounts and Slapstick</u>
- Aluminum 6061

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Retraction and Expansion

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Validation

Actuation Time

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Load

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Limit Manual Labor

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Additional Testing

Vibration Testing

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Impact Testing

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Improvements

Lessons Learned

Criticism often means you are off to a good start.

Don't reinvent the wheel. Keep it simple.

It's okay if the prototype is not perfect the first time. That's why it's called a "prototype".

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Multiple concepts were generated but the Self-Nesting T was the final selection. It was also highly favored due to it being modeled after the T design that's proven to minimizes damage.

The designs critical targets have been validated. This allows the team to know that the projects goals have been accomplished.

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Thank you!

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