

# **Success Story**

Industry: Quarrying, Mining and Construction

Application: Vibrating Screen

**Cost Savings: \$125,137** 

#### Introduction

A Vibrating Screen manufacturer was having difficulties with consistent mounting of bearing in their shaker box assembly. In addition, they were looking for opportunities to save manufacturing cost and improve the overall performance of their machines. NSK engineers proposed a complete bearing assembly be designed such that the resultant unit could simply be bolted down to the machine frame without complex assembly of bearings, seals and lubrication.

### **Key Facts**

- Manufacturer of Vibrating Screen Machines
- Severe operating environment requires specialized bearings
- Pressure to reduce manufacturing costs
- NSK specially design for supply of complete housing, bearing and sealing solution
- Resultant bolt on complete solution
- Reduced need for complex fitting







1 Integrated Bearing Assembly





## **Background Information**

- Industry: Quarrying and Mining
- Application: Vibrating Screen
- End-product: Vibrating Screen Machines

# Value Proposals

- NSK design review of the original machine
- Customized design created with full CAD drawings for approval by the customer
- NSK took over the manufacture and assembly of the complete housing, seals and bearing assembly
- Product supplied to the customer as a built unit, packed and pre-greased ready to run
- Product Features
  - Customized housings
  - High strength SG iron housing
  - Vibratory specification bearings CAM-VS
  - Labyrinth and contact seals included
  - Pre-greased and ready to fit with bearing location features.

- No of machines: Annual Production
- Problem: Need to reduce manufacturing costs
- NSK worked with the customer to develop a simple bolt on assembly process
- Significant reduction in manufacturing costs
  documented.
- Bearing performance and reliability improved
- Integrated assembly reduces need for customer to manufacture sub components
- Vibration and noise level reduced by 50-60%
- Increased fatigue strength against vibration & shock loads, wear and corrosion
- Installation ease and benefits reduce manufacturers in-house costs
- Can be re-greased

## Cost Saving Breakdown

| Before      |  | Cost p.a. | NSK Solution   | Cost p.a. |
|-------------|--|-----------|--|-----------|
|             | Annual cost of manufacturing housings in-house, together with bearing purchase and assembly cost | \$291,987 | Annual cost of pre-assembled bearing housings from NSK | \$166,850 |
| Total Costs |  | \$291,987 |  | \$166,850 |

