InlinePlastics®

Simple.
Safe. Secure.
Sustainable.

The Inline Way: Pairing Family with Innovation

Family evokes tradition and stability. Innovation, on the other hand, is ground-breaking and outside the lines. At Inline Plastics, our culture bridges these two, creating an environment where our family business fuses our core values with a passion for creativity and ingenuity. The result is new technologies backed by an over 50-year commitment to quality and service. This balance allows Inline Plastics to continuously bring new packaging solutions to the marketplace, while maintaining a family atmosphere for our employees, our suppliers, and our customers.

The Next Generation

My father and uncle founded Inline Plastics in the 1960's. Thirty years later, I came on board. And in 2018, my daughter, Alicia Orkisz Fitze, joined the organization. Through decades of growth and change, ownership and control by the Orkisz family has remained consistent.

With this catalog, we are excited to reveal the latest in a long history of new product releases with the launch of Safe-T-Chef®. Utilizing our patented tear-strip technology, Inline is releasing the first tamper resistant, tamper evident, and leak resistant polypropylene product offering designed for hot food applications. A new facility in Conyers, GA, one of our five locations, will manufacture a complete polypropylene line featuring a wide variety of options in various shapes, sizes and capacities—with more items to follow soon!

We Care

Families take care of each other. Innovation provides new tools to make that easier. From our Innovation Center, to sales and marketing, as well as manufacturing, we integrate the latest technologies to create exceptional products backed by the highest customer service.

We also care about improving the world around us. This extends from the simplest, making life easier for a consumer, to large-scale initiatives that reduce environmental impacts. All Inline PET products are made with 10% post-consumer content, and manufactured using the lowest carbon footprint. All Safe-T-Chef® products are made with all clear polypropylene, making it easy to sort through materials recovery facilities (MRFs).

We look forward to working with you!

Join Us

Use this catalog to get started. It is full of all the details on our extensive family of products. Then reach out to our teams at InlinePlastics.com, or our Chief Fun Officer, Lemon at lemon@inlineplastics.com for more information and next steps. The Inline family is ready with innovative solutions for all your packaging needs.

Thomas Orkisz

Tom Orkisz

Over 50 Years of Experience

Inline Plastics Corp.

1968

Inline Plastics is incorporated by Rudolph and Gene Orkisz

1985

Inline Plastics launches SureLock® technology

1988

Inline Plastics receives first patent for a locking mechanism

1999

Tom Orkisz becomes Owner, President and CEO of Inline Plastics

InlinePlastics

2003

The opening of Inline Plastics Salt Lake City, UT Plant

2006

Launch of first Safe-T-Fresh® line, after receiving official patent

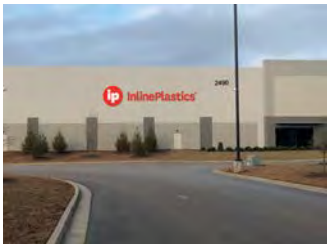
2009

The opening of Inline Plastics McDonough, GA Plant

2018

Refreshed branding and website to coincide with the future vision of the company

Orkisz Legacy Continues: Third Generation, Alicia Orkisz Fitze, joins the Inline team



2020

Two important launches:

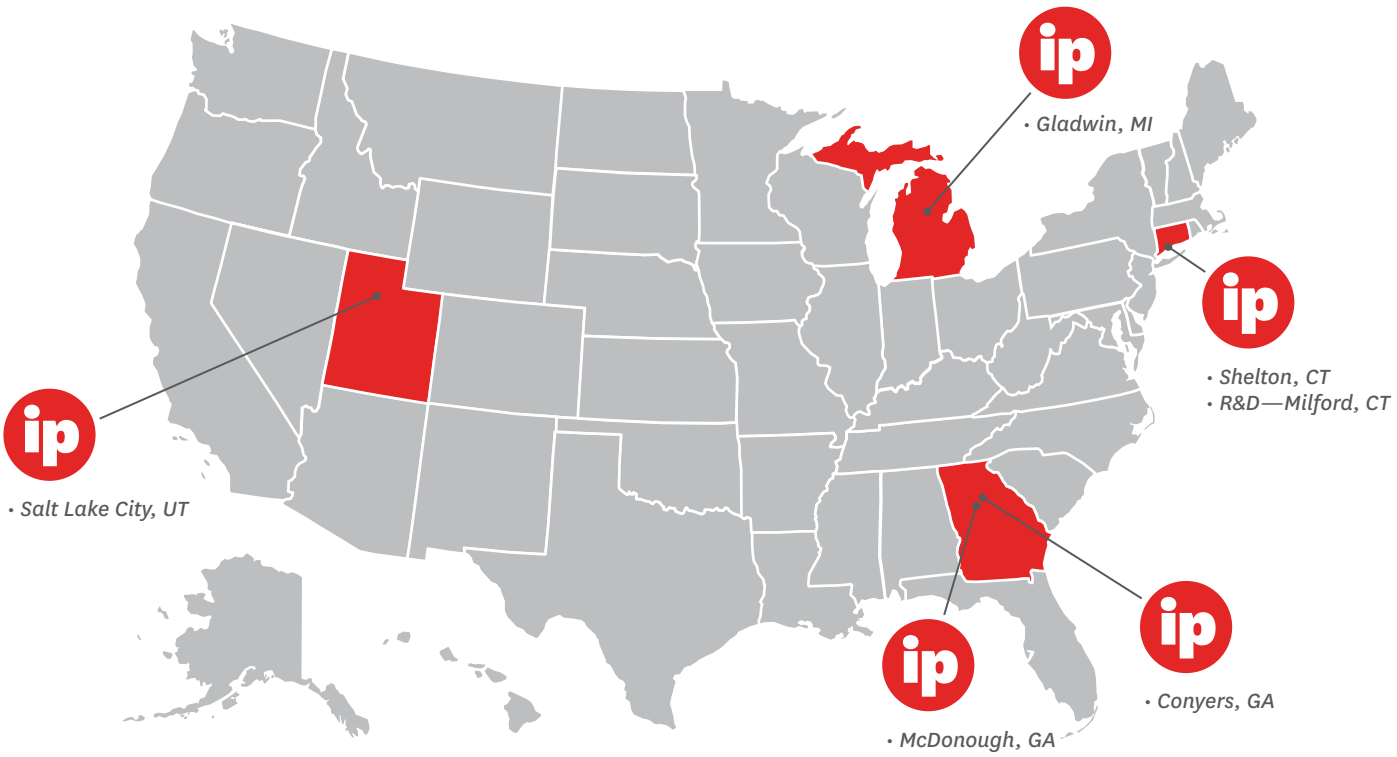
- Reborn, all PET products made with 10% post-consumer content
- Refreshed smooth, modern design to the medium and large Safe-T-Fresh® Rectangles

2022

Safe-T-Chef® launched, the first tamper evident, tamper resistant, leak resistant family of polypropylene products

Opening of new Inline Plastics polypropylene plant in Conyers, GA and new manufacturing plant in Gladwin, MI

Inline Plastics Locations



All products are manufactured in the USA

Safe-T-Chef®

Crave consumer trust?

*Polypropylene Packaging for **Hot Food** Applications*

Tamper Protection
Proven patented technology gives consumers confidence that food has remained sealed. Great for delivery!

Full Transparency
Exceptional clarity because shoppers like to see the food they buy.

Sustainability
You will be ready as the shift away from black carbon plastics continues.*

**usplasticspact.org*

InlinePlastics®

Scan to learn more

InlinePlastics.com/hot

We strongly recommend that customers test products under their specific conditions to determine fitness for use.

ip Safe-T-Chef®

First Polypropylene Family of Tamper Evident Products in the Market

Designed for a variety of hot food applications

Tamper Evident

Proven patented technology

High Clarity

Showcases contents, highlights food's appeal

Smooth Modern Design

Attractive shape and curved smooth walls create scoopable corners to reach every last bite

Perfect for Hot Food

Great for microwaves, heat lamps, and hot displays

InlinePlastics

Safe-T-Fresh®

Secure.

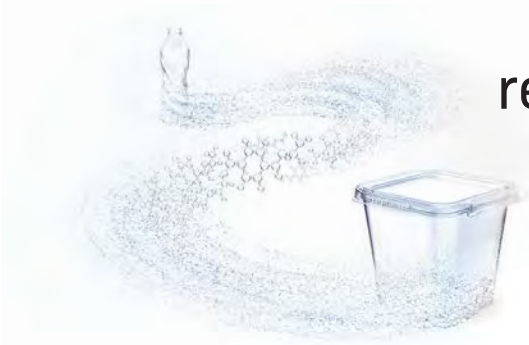
Simple. Safe. Sustainable.

Patented one step
tamper resistant technology
keeps food secure

Trusted Since 1968

Largest tamper evident product portfolio available.
All PET products are made with **10% post-consumer content** derived from Advanced Recycling.

InlinePlastics®



reborn.

Learn more at **inlineplastics.com/secure**

Safe-T-Fresh®

Market Leader in Tamper Evident, Tamper Resistant Food Packaging

Safe-T-Fresh® Rectangles

Safe-T-Fresh® Squares

Safe-T-Fresh® Rounds

Tamper Evident & Tamper Resistant as Easy as 1, 2, 3

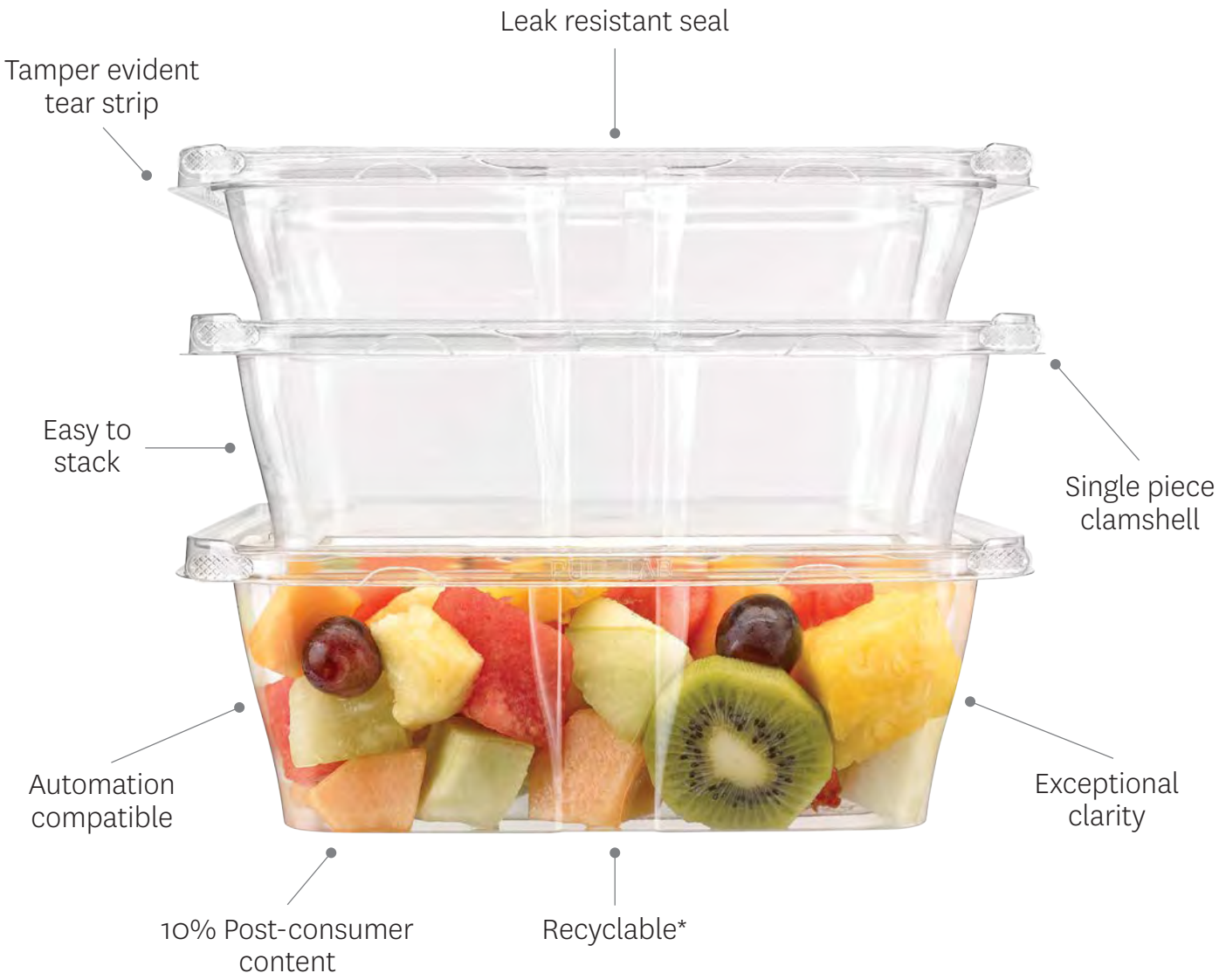
1. Fill
2. Close
3. Remove Tear Strip to Use

Instantly tamper resistant!

InlinePlastics

Safe-T-Fresh®

Industry Innovator
Tamper Evident, Tamper Resistant Technology
Trusted for 15+ years



SIMPLICITY

One step to tamper evidence, simply close the lid—no shrink band/heat tunnel needed

SKU RATIONALIZATION

Single piece clamshell, no mismatching bases/lids, no shrink bands needed

LEAK RESISTANT PERIMETER SEAL

Seals in freshness, keeps product and its surroundings clean and dry

EASY TO AUTOMATE

With Inline's Automation Team involved throughout product development

**Products may not be recyclable in all areas yet; please check locally*

InlinePlastics

For Life's Grab & Go Moments

Safe-T-Fresh®

Essentials

Economical, Efficient, and Dependable

Our large Essentials portfolio provides a comprehensive blend of packaging solutions for every market and application.

Over 300 shapes and sizes to meet all your needs.

Highest Clarity
Our key ingredient is rDPET™, a high performing PET made with 10% post-consumer content and the lowest carbon footprint on the market today.

Automation Solutions
Providing in-house solutions with over 50 years of experience.

Diversified brand of clamshell and two piece all-clear PET packaging

Essentials SureChoice®

Essentials SureLock®

Essentials ValuPack®

Essentials Cakes

Essentials VisiblyFresh®

Essentials CrystalFresh®

Essentials Platters

reborn.

PET is reborn at Inline Plastics

All our PET products are made in part with post-consumer recycled content

Learn more at **inlineplastics.com/reborn**

InlinePlastics®

Packaging for a Better Planet

reborn at InlinePlastics®

PACKAGING FOR A BETTER PLANET

Inline Plastics is the first thermoformed food packaging manufacturer to utilize post-consumer content made with cutting edge technology called Advanced Recycling.

We call this PET material rDPET (recycled Direct to Sheet PET). Through our 'reborn' process, all of our PET products are made with 10% post-consumer content.

*Products may not be recyclable in all areas yet; please check locally

Through this proprietary process plastic can be turned into clean, new plastic again and again, preserving quality, so it doesn't have to end up in a landfill

Our thermoforming production is powered in part by solar panels

By using rDPET™ vs. traditional PET, Inline Plastics...

Diverts over **1 Billion water bottles** from the ocean and landfills annually

Generates over **50% energy savings** when producing rDPET™

= Decreases carbon footprint equivalent to **112,000 acres** of forest per year

or Saves greenhouse emissions equal to **233 million miles driven**

rDPET™ is a high performing food-grade packaging material reborn with 10% post-consumer content and the lowest carbon footprint on the market today

InlinePlastics inlineplastics.com/reborn 800-826-5567 42 Canal Street East, Shelton, CT 06484, USA info@inlineplastics.com

rDPET™ reduces Carbon Footprint by 50%*

*Compared to traditional PET sheet

InlinePlastics reborn. vs. PET Traditional Manufacturing

Made with Advanced Recycling

3

Fewer Energy Steps

1 Polymerization
2 Direct to Sheet
3 Ship

rDPET™

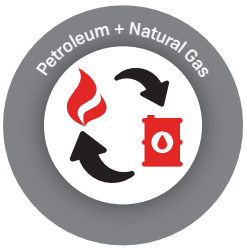
Greenest and most consistent sheet on the market today.

Blend Compounds

ENERGY STEPS

Sheet

Final Product



9

1 Polymerization
2 Palletize & Pack
3 Solid-State Polycondensation
4 Ship to Extruder
5 Compact
6 Drying
7 Resin Extrusion
8 Sheet Extrusion
9 Ship to Thermoformer

PET

Lemon, CFO
Chief Fun Officer,
Inline Plastics

Connecticut

Corporate Headquarters and Shelton Manufacturing
42 Canal Street East
Shelton, CT 06484, USA

Georgia

Conyers Manufacturing
2490 Dogwood Drive
Building 300
Conyers, GA 30013, USA

McDonough Manufacturing
100 Constitution Drive
McDonough, GA 30253, USA

Michigan

Gladwin Manufacturing
705 Weaver Court
Gladwin, MI 48624, USA

Utah

Salt Lake City Manufacturing
1927 South 4650 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84104, USA

Contact Information
Phone 800-826-5567 x 7046
Fax 203-924-0370
Email info@inlineplastics.com

inlineplastics.com

History of Inline Plastics

A history of strong leadership, innovation, adaptability, and commitment to continuous improvement is necessary for a company to enter its fifty-fifth year in business. As Inline Plastics celebrates, it does so knowing that those virtues are what has sustained it through the decades and subsequently prepare it for another century of growth and success.

Founding

It all began with two immigrant brothers from Poland working in a local foundry in Bridgeport. And as almost every successful entrepreneur has done, they recognized an opportunity and a way to do something better. That something was the emergence of a new industry producing plastic parts via a vacuum forming process (thermoforming), and the need for patterns and molds for the machines.

Rudolph and Gene Orkisz thus founded the R&G Mold & Pattern Company in the basement of their home. Through the 1960s the brothers grew the business and in 1968 they moved into a dedicated facility in Bridgeport.

Birth of Inline Plastics

From 1968 and through the 1970s, the company expanded beyond simply making molds for other manufacturers. Rudy and Gene purchased their own thermoforming machine and began producing the finished plastic products themselves. This separate endeavor was named Inline Plastics Corp. As more thermoforming and pressure-forming machines were purchased, multiple moves to larger facilities were required. And by the early 1980s, the tooling demands for Inline Plastics were occupying 100% of the resources of R&G Mold. At that point, the decision was made to cease creating molds for other companies, retire the R&G name, and bring all tooling and mold-making operations under the banner of Inline Plastics.

Transition of Ownership

Rudy took over sole control of the company after Gene's passing in the 1970s. Through the following decades, ownership of the company remained completely within the Orkisz family. Rudy's son, Tom, stepped into the position of president in the late 1990s and oversaw the company's emergence into the next millennium with a focus on innovation, consumer safety, and environmental responsibility. Tom Orkisz still serves today as the Chairman, CEO, and owner of Inline Plastics, leading this family-owned business into the next century of prosperity.

Growing Beyond Connecticut

The success and rapid growth of Inline Plastics required multiple moves to larger facilities around Bridgeport. The acquisition of a warehouse and an additional manufacturing facility in Shelton occurred in the 1990s. This facility is still the current headquarters and primary production plant for the company today. At the same time, Rudy began exporting to his native country and opened Inline Poland. One of the original corporate buildings located in Milford became a dedicated R&D facility. An additional Distribution Center was added in Shelton in 2001. And in order to manage customer supply needs across

North America, new manufacturing facilities were opened in Salt Lake City, UT (2004) to serve the western states, McDonough, GA (2010) to serve the southern states, Conyers, GA (2021) to manufacture the polypropylene product line, Safe-T-Chef®, and Gladwin, MI (2022) focused on production of the Platter product line.

History of Innovation

The company's first significant contract was the production of plastic fire hats. Through the years, they also made silly putty packages and blister packs. It was in the 1980s that Inline Plastics ventured into food packaging and the real game-changers occurred.

The Surelock® food packaging line, designed for bakery and food service markets, was the first big innovation to come from Inline Plastics. This was followed by the introduction of the Automatic Locking Device (ALD), which was the first clamshell packaging automation component, and the eventual release of the double-line locks, which are the current industry standard for clamshell locking systems.

But it was an industry disrupter called Safe-T-Fresh® that catapulted the company to new levels of growth. In 2005, Inline Plastics released the very first tamper-evident, tamper-resistant container with a patented tear-strip hinge that the consumer removes to gain access to the contents. This zipper-pull technology revolutionized the food packaging industry in multiple ways. First, it eliminated the need for costly shrink- or wrap-around paper bands. Second, those opaque wrappers concealed the contents. Their removal allowed for a clearer, unobstructed view of the contents by consumers. And lastly, it provided a visible assurance of product safety.

The launch of Safe-T-Fresh was a crucial turning point in the history of Inline Plastics. It was at this point that the small, growing, successful family business turned the corner to become a recognizable leader in the food packaging industry.

Inline's commitment to innovation is as strong as it has ever been. In the past decade, the company has released a variety of new packaging products, specifically targeted to the growing needs and demands of its customers. The innovation of each new product takes into consideration versatility, enhanced merchandising, leak-resistance, increased shelf-life, product protection, and consumer safety. Take for example the recent launch of Safe-T-Chef®. In 2022, Inline entered the food service market with their patented tamper protection technology offering the first tamper evident, tamper resistant polypropylene product family for hot food applications.

Environmentally Conscious

Part of Inline's commitment to innovation includes an awareness and responsibility towards the environment. In 2009, the company converted all product lines to DPET material, which has a low carbon footprint and is 100% recyclable. The Direct-to-Sheet PET (DPET) decreases manufacturing energy consumption, reduces waste, and is accepted by curbside recycling bins. In 2020, Inline announced that all PET products would contain 10% post-consumer with the launch of Reborn, being the first thermoformer of rigid food packaging to use post-consumer made from recycling at the molecular level – known as Advanced Recycling.

100% of Inline's trim waste is ground and converted into recycled PET (RPET). This is the highest clarity RPET in the market and has the lowest carbon footprint compared to its post-consumer rivals.

Additionally, in 2018, more than 2500 solar panels were installed on the rooftop of the Shelton plant. These solar panels generate 1.2 million kWh of electric power annually, supplementing almost 15% of the energy needed for the facility.

Moving Forward

Recent years have witnessed a deepening dedication to driving innovation within the food packaging marketplace. Significant investments have been made to expand market penetration and do so by anticipating consumer wants and needs, then offering packaging solutions that meet and exceed them. This includes offering customers a comprehensive packaging solution with access to customized packaging automation equipment, and operating manufacturing facilities that are recognized for their production and food safety excellence.

As the company looks back on its fifty-five years of history, it does so with a discerning eye. One that appreciates the stability and long-standing community impact of its organization, learns from the lessons of past successes and failures, and commits to a future of continuous improvement, that will ultimately result in sustained growth and profitability.

A Family Affair

Inline recently celebrated their 55-year anniversary. Celebrating that milestone while ownership of the company has remained all within one family, is rare. Founded by Rudolph and Gene Orkisz in 1958, Tom Orkisz took over ownership and control of Inline Plastics in 1999 and remains at the helm of this rapidly growing company today.

Tom Orkisz
Chairman and CEO

Inline Plastics fills many of Tom's childhood memories. From visiting the factory after church each Sunday and riding hand trucks with his siblings, to actually "working" on the weekends doing janitorial and handyman projects, Inline Plastics has always been a big part of Tom's life.

During those teen years, while his father Rudy spent much of his time travelling and growing the business, Tom remained at home and involved with the local operations. "I started as a utility, then did shipping and receiving, warehouse management, then transitioned to doing set-ups on the production machines," Tom explained. "Much of what I learned at that young age came from working directly with the employees." Some of these key mentors are still employed at Inline today. "While my father was chasing a new piece of business or a new market, I was learning the day-to-day details of running the plants."

Subsequently, Tom graduated from college and spent eight years working outside the company as a mechanical engineer. He returned to Inline in 1991 as a Project Engineer and by 1997 he was managing the operations with his brother and father. The unexpected passing of Tom's father resulted in a turbulent few year. When his brother decided to retire from the business, Tom initiated a leveraged buy-out of the rest of the family to take over sole control and move forward with Inline Plastics under his leadership. In 2018, his daughter Alicia Orkisz Fitze, joined the organization as General Council.

A Young President

His transition to president occurred when Tom was just 37 years old. One of his first endeavors was establishing a formal Board of Directors. John Starr, who remains a valued board member today, introduced Tom to the Young Presidents' Organization (YPO). Participation with this community, Tom attributes much of his growth and development as a business leader. "YPO gave me unique access to consultants and subject matter experts on a local, national and international level that have been excellent resources in my growth and development as a chief executive," Tom explained.

It was through his father's example, however, that Tom accredits learning that as a leader, he needs to "Not be afraid to take risks. Think big picture and then surround myself with great people to handle the day-to-day details."

Focused on Innovation

It was in the early 2000's, shortly after stepping into the president's shoes, that Tom initiated a task force directed to target the fresh-cut-fruit and general agriculture packaging business. Part of that internal

team was directed at finding a solution for the long sought-after market need for tamper evident and tamper resistant packaging. In 2006, after years of hard work, the patented Safe-T-Fresh® was introduced as the industry's first tear-strip, tamper evident packaging container. "It took a couple of years to gain traction, but since then, it has seen double digit growth each year and we are still enjoying a dominant market share position. Today, Safe-T-Fresh accounts for over half of our total business!" Known for their innovation, in 2022 Inline Plastics integrated this patented technology to create the first tamper evident, tamper resistant, all-clear polypropylene product family for hot food applications, called Safe-T-Chef®.

Inline continues to maintain a reputation as a product leader and innovator within the thermoforming industry, realizing almost 300% growth in the last decade alone. "My father would be amazed at what Inline has grown into."

Lessons Learned

To be a successful leader requires the ability to look back, evaluate past strategies, and apply those lessons learned to future planning. With that hindsight, Tom reflects, "I wish I would have brought Operational Excellence into the organization sooner." The current OpEx agenda has fueled increased efficiencies, product development, and improved the quality of new and existing product lines. "I also would have invested more into our Human Resources department. And most significantly, I would have thought bigger when sighting new plants and facilities, acquiring adjacent buildings or land. We have outgrown space at every plant!"

Future Forecast

"I see no reason why Inline cannot achieve over a billion dollars in sales with a global presence in the decades to come," Tom projects. As the company continues to grow, he foresees the need for at least one more U.S.-based plant before reaching out into international markets.

Harkening back to his heritage, Tom also hopes to maintain the Orkisz family's presence at Inline Plastics. "I'm hoping some new Orkisz's will be in the game" in the years to come. Until then, this company is moving forward under Tom's leadership and continuing to transform the food packaging industry with its innovation and product leadership business model.

2022-2023 NEWS AND HIGHLIGHTS

January 2023

Inline Plastics Launches New Party Platters
Inline Plastics expands the Essentials Platters line, adding seven more options.

December 2022

Innovation Award- Produce Business
Seeking the most innovative products of 2022, Produce Business asked the question in September 2022, "What products are TRULY INNOVATIVE and what will disrupt consumer buying behavior?" Stating high-volume buyers of produce are constantly in search of items that will differentiate their stores and restaurants from the competition.

Inline Plastics answered the call with our Safe-T-Chef®, the first tamper evident / tamper resistant polypropylene product family for hot food applications. They selected 10 innovation winners, Safe-T-Chef® was the only packaging awarded "the most innovative products."

June 2022

Inline Plastics launches Safe-T-Chef®, the first tamper evident, tamper resistant polypropylene product family for hot food applications. Now, 12 options ranging in shape (rectangular, square and round) and capacity (from 12 to 35 ounce sizes) are available. This combination offers a packaging solution for anything from individual or family-size side dishes, to entrees, or even multi-course meals.

"Meeting current marketplace needs with best-in-class products is what Inline is known for," explained Tom Orkisz, Chairman and CEO of Inline Plastics. "Take out, third-party delivery, and grab-and-go foods continue to increase in popularity, but consumers want the confidence of knowing that throughout all the touchpoints of prepared foods, there is an added layer of security. Safe-T-Chef® now offers that for hot applications."

Sustainability Award- IBIE 2022 Qualifier
Inline Plastics was in the top 3 for the Sustainability category for launching Reborn. Reborn was the introduction of 10% post-consumer content to all their PET products. Inline was the first thermoformer in food packaging to use post-consumer content derived from Advanced Recycling- which is recycling at a molecular level. This category highlights notable sustainability in the baking industry.

May 2022

Meeting the Growing Demand: Inline Plastics Expands its Footprint into Midwest

Inline Plastics, the leading manufacturer of innovative and high-quality PET food packaging, opened a new manufacturing plant in Gladwin, MI, at the former Cam Packaging facility. "We are excited to announce the purchase of Cam Packaging's operation," said Tom Orkisz, Chairman and CEO of Inline Plastics. "Its large bed thermoforming machines and talented workforce will provide Inline with an instant increase in capacity to fulfill customer and consumer demand for our food packaging that delivers quality, freshness, and eye-catching merchandising."

Sustainability

Inline Plastics Captures 1.2 Million KWH of Power with Rooftop Solar Panel System

As part of a commitment to environmental responsibility and sustainability with the production of 100% recyclable products, the company installed a 2500 panel, 965 kWh solar panel system on the rooftop of their Shelton, CT corporate headquarters and manufacturing building over the winter. The system generates more than 1.2 million kWh of power annually that supplements more than 15% of the facility's energy needs.

Inline Plastics Introduces Reborn:

Inline is the first USA Manufacturer to infuse all products with 10% post-consumer content derived from Advanced Recycling- recycling at the molecular level. rDPET™ is the latest solution, in a long tradition of innovation, from Inline – the leading manufacturer of high quality, crystal clear, food packaging containers.

All-Clear with Inline Plastics:

Inline Plastics has removed all black plastic from their offerings. Black plastic is challenging to sort at materials recovery facilities (MRFs) and usually ends up in landfills. All clear plastic has a greater chance of being recycled.

Automation Solutions: WE HAVE YOU COVERED!

Inline Plastics is the only thermoforming food packaging manufacturer that has 30 years of experience combining its industry leading food containers with customizable automation systems. Customers can evaluate new opportunities for complete packaging solutions that get products into the market, onto shelves, and in consumer hands quickly and efficiently.

# # #

Q & A

1) What are the key advantages of tamper evident packaging?

Tamper-evident technology provides peace of mind. It is an easy-to-identify component of a package that quickly conveys a level of safety and security about the food consumers are going to eat. Inline revolutionized the marketplace when Safe-T-Fresh® was introduced with the patented tamper protection technology almost two decades ago. This leading tamper evident, tamper resistant brand offers a wide variety of packaging in all shapes and sizes, that are also leak resistant. They continue to innovate and expand the variety of packaging that offers this extra level of safety and security. Tamper-evident packaging is used for all forms of perimeter foods, and with the introduction of Safe-T-Chef®, is now available in hot food applications.

2) Why is tamper-evident, tamper resistant technology so important?

Every time a package changes hands there is the potential for tampering. With more and more food delivery services coming into the marketplace, the need to ensure foods stay fresh, safe, and intact is rapidly growing. Tamper-resistant packaging provides the confidence and security that foods reach the consumer as safe and fresh as possible.

3) What are the latest trends in packaging materials?

The biggest trend and challenge facing the packaging industry is finding the balance between sustainability, convenience, and safety. Inline Plastics launched Reborn, adding 10% post-consumer content to all their PET products. They are the first thermoform food packaging manufacturer in the USA to use post-consumer content recycled at the molecular level – known as Advanced Recycling. Combining their patented tamper protection technology with recycled PET content gives consumers the convenient, sustainable and safe packaging they are looking for.

Minimalism is also a big trend companies are embracing by using a clear labelling and packaging approach that will continue. The adage “less is more” is evident in today’s food packaging marketplace. Consumers spent years overwhelmed by colorful designs and graphics. The minimalist approach provides companies an opportunity to highlight their product in a clean, elegant, simple and refreshing packaging.

4) What are key trends for food applications?

The growing demand for security of pre-packaged food items continues to increase. Applications range from family to single-serve sizes; hot, cold, and ambient food applications; in clear, ready-to-serve, convenient packaging that meets the needs of today’s marketplace. For cold applications, our Safe-T-Fresh® product line has seen growth across all shapes and sizes of packaging. With the launch of Safe-T-Chef®, Inline now offers an entirely new product family uniquely designed to add layers of protection to warm and hot foods applications. This is the first polypropylene product family that incorporates patented tamper-evident technology into packaging designed for hot food applications. Consumers continue to look for tamper-resistant, convenient packaging that offers the food safety they desire.

5) Why is clear packaging so important?

There are 2 main reasons that clear packaging is important: the consumer and sustainability.

First, consumers eat with their eyes. Food that is visually appealing triggers the other senses. Our brains begin imagining what it will smell and taste like. From a marketability standpoint, all clear packaging offers multiple advantages. It entices - seeing attractive food makes us want to buy that food, providing instant gratification, as well as offering full transparency to the contents- no hiding ingredients.

Secondly, all clear material has a greater chance of being recycled. Black plastic is difficult to sort at the materials recovery facilities (MRFs) and usually ends up in landfills. With the recent elimination of black material in their portfolio, Inline Plastics continues to make their packaging more sustainable.

Inline uses the highest clarity material to make sure contents take center stage, whether it is in their PET products with Safe-T-Fresh or in their polypropylene products with Safe-T-Chef.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Safe-T-Chef®: Keeping Hot Foods Both Protected and Warm

First Polypropylene Product Family Brings Tamper-Evidence/Resistance to Hot Food Applications

SHELTON, Conn. – June 1, 2022 –Today, Inline Plastics announced the launch of Safe-T-Chef®, an entirely new product family uniquely designed to add tamper-evident protection while maintaining the temperature of warm and hot foods on the shelf, during third-party deliveries and throughout the preparation and distribution process.

By leveraging the proven patented tamper-evident/tamper-resistant technology the company pioneered in its Safe-T-Fresh® product line, the company's R&D team incorporated that with a different substrate in order to protect and maintain the temperatures of heated foods. Safe-T-Chef is the first polypropylene containers with the company's patented tear-strip technology.

Now, 12 options ranging in shape (rectangular, square and round) and capacity (from 12 to 35 ounce sizes) are available. This combination offers a packaging solution for anything from individual or family-size side dishes, to entrees, or even multi-course meals.

"Take out, third-party delivery, and grab-and-go foods continue to increase in popularity," explained Tom Orkisz, Chairman and CEO of Inline Plastics, "but consumers want the confidence of knowing that throughout all the touchpoints of prepared foods, there is an added layer of security. Safe-T-Chef now offers that for hot applications."

Made with an all-clear, 360º, smooth wall container, Safe-T-Chef is both appealing and user-friendly, allowing consumers to see their foods, eat directly from the containers, and is safe for use in microwaves and dishwashers. The transparent material also eases sorting and processing during recycling.

Safe-T-Chef joins Safe-T-Fresh and Essentials as the third brand in the Inline Plastics portfolio. It will be manufactured exclusively at the company's new facility in Conyers, GA.

To learn more about Safe-T-Chef, visit InlinePlastics.com/hot

# # #

About Inline Plastics

Inline Plastics is the leading manufacturer of innovative, high quality, crystal clear, food packaging containers. The company transformed the marketplace with their Safe-T-Fresh® line, a tamper-resistant and tamper-evident product which utilizes their patented tear-strip technology, providing retailers and consumers with greater product protection. They continue to design and manufacture packaging solutions that keep food products safe, fresh, and enhance shelf merchandising. The company also offers the most complete line of automated equipment to close, lock and label their containers. Headquartered in Shelton, CT, Inline Plastics celebrates its 50th Anniversary in 2018. For more information on their vast line of award-winning products, visit inlineplastics.com.

Contact: Carrie Cline, Inline Plastics

203-924-5933 x7085

ccline@inlineplastics.com

InlinePlastics®

The most extensive tamper evident, tamper resistant product lines available.

Safe-T-Chef®

The first tamper evident and tamper resistant, all clear, polypropylene packaging family for hot food applications. Choose from a variety of sizes and shapes, available in vented and non-vented options.

Safe-T-Fresh® Rectangles

A large family of industry standard sized items ranging from 6 oz–128 oz, great for a wide variety of applications. Available in vented and hangable options.

Safe-T-Fresh® Rounds

Expansive assortment of round packaging with design options in various footprints ranging from 8 oz–80 oz.

Safe-T-Fresh® Squares

Large selection of square packaging with design options in various footprints and configurations ranging from 2 oz–128 oz.

Simple. Safe. Secure. Sustainable.

Tamper Evident & Tamper Resistant as Easy as 1, 2, 3

1 Fill

2 Close

3 Remove Tear Strip to Use

inlineplastics.com 1-800-826-5567 sales@inlineplastics.com

InlinePlastics®

InlinePlastics®

Custom Automation Packaging Solutions

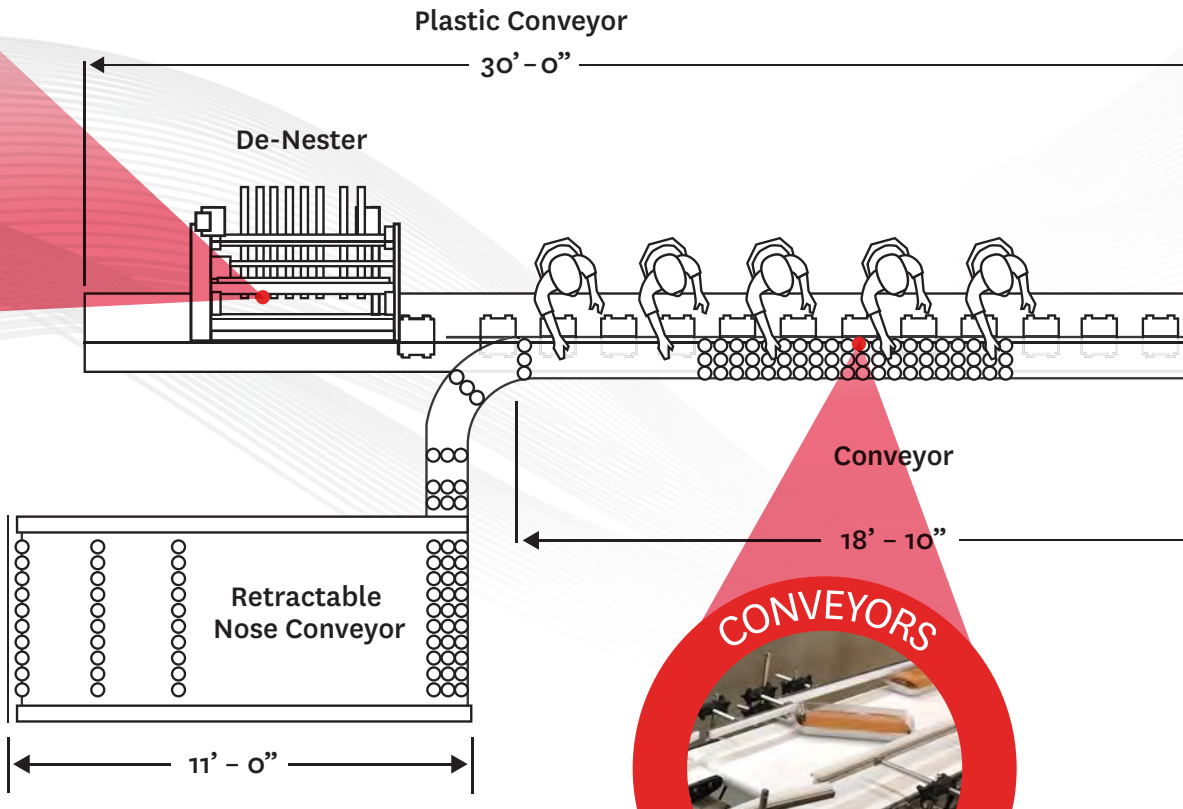
The only thermoformed packaging manufacturer in the industry providing in-house automation solutions

De-Nesters | Conveyors | Labeling Systems | High Speed Closers

See how much our automation solutions can help you save by scanning the QR code or visiting us at **www.inlineplastics.com/automation-calculator**

DE-NESTERS

Designed to pick and place empty packages onto a packing conveyor **quickly, accurately, and efficiently.**



CONVEYORS

We can **turn or flip** the package into the desired position, as well as add **vibration** to settle food within.

Over 50 Years of Experience

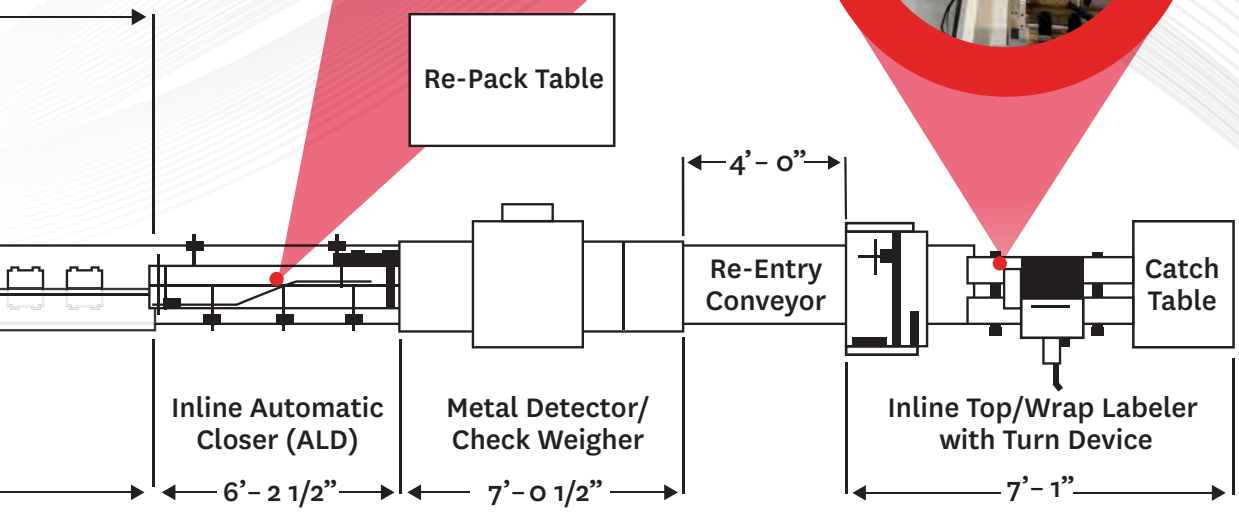
Could you benefit from our automation services? Our Automation team provides **reliable and effective solutions** with an in-depth evaluation process. This experienced team of automation specialists identifies areas of opportunity for increasing efficiency, providing room for growth and increased sales **resulting in greater profits.**

HIGH SPEED CLOSERS

Closing solutions for any of our clamshell packages at speeds **up to 200 units per minute**, with user friendly controls making it easy to switch between jobs.

LABELING SYSTEMS

Our integrated systems can date-code and apply labels in various configurations to make packages **tamper evident and secure.**



We can develop an entire packaging line or design around existing equipment.

To schedule an automation team visit, please contact us at **800-826-5567** or visit **inlineplastics.com**