

Curing epoxy on aluminum copier roller assembly

Objective Heat the end of an aluminum copier roller to 400 °F (200 °C) to cure epoxy

Material Aluminum roller 4.75" (120mm) diameter, 2' (0.6m) long with 1.5" (38.1mm) thick plug at end

Temperature 400 °F (200 °C)

Frequency 112 kHz

Equipment

- Ambrell 15 kW induction heating system, equipped with a remote workhead containing eight 1.0µF capacitors for a total of 2.0µF
- An induction heating coil designed and developed specifically for this application.

Process A four turn helical pancake coil is used to heat the end of the copier roller assembly. The assembly is heated 90 seconds to cure the adhesive.

Results/Benefits Induction heating provides:

- Faster process time
- Hands-free heating that involves no operator skill for manufacturing
- Even distribution of heat between tube and end plug



Aluminum rollers and end plugs prior to curing



Aluminum roller and end plug assembly in coil