

## EMH Crane Custom Engineers --40°C GE Twin Jet Engine Test Site Hoists

## Features and Benefits:

- The hoist application had to be capable of precision operation in minus 40° centigrade temperatures.
- Special application engineering required special materials, specially designed heating for the motors and controls, special brakes, special fittings, special coatings, special seals and epoxy paint to protect it from intense cold and ice and snow build-up.
- All metals required Charpy testing to make sure the metals would not fracture in bitter cold temperatures.
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## **Industry Group:**

MHI Member Company Crane Manufacturers Association of America (CMAA) Material Handling Equipment Distributors Association (MHEDA)

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Twin EMH Hoist application holding GE jet engines in place at its cold weather test facility in Winnipeg, Canada, in support of GE jet engine manufacturing.

When EMH was contacted by Standard Aero, an international aircraft-engineering firm to help develop a unique Jet Engine Test Stand for a GE cold weather test facility; it was just another day at the office for Engineered Material Handling and its custom engineering hoist specialists.

More specifically, EMH was asked to help custom design and engineer a twin EMH Hoist application to hold GE jet engines in place at its cold weather test facility in Winnipeg, Canada, in support of GE jet engine manufacturing. The hoist application had to be capable of precision operation in minus 40° centigrade temperatures. Special application engineering required special materials, specially designed heating for the motors and controls, special brakes, special fittings, special coatings, special seals and epoxy paint to protect it from

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