



GILLIG, LLC | Bus Manufacturing

Features and Benefits

- Reliability
- Flexible options
- Broad product portfolio
- Efficient operations
- Availability of parts

Industry Group:

Hoist Manufacturers Institute (HMI)

Overview:

Over 40 cranes and hoists were installed in GILLIG LLC's new Livermore, California facility as the bus manufacturer recently completed its relocation from Hayward to the Oaks Business Park. The newly constructed, custom-designed, 600,000 sq. ft. site continues the company's 128-year tradition of manufacturing in the San Francisco Bay area.

“The cranes have performed well in line with our high expectations since production started at the new site. Our production facility has to demonstrate great versatility as we manufacture only to order.”

**Robert Murillo
GILLIG, LLC**



Fleet of cranes at new GILLIG, LLC facility

The hoists, manufactured by R&M Materials Handling Inc., were supplied by their Master Distributor CraneTech Inc., which worked closely with GILLIG's design team to provide comprehensive material handling coverage of an approx. 500,000 sq. ft. manufacturing facility where completed heavy-duty transit vehicles roll off the production line having started as small parts.

The new facility boasts 15 separate crane bays, ranging from 20 ft. to 100 ft. wide and 100 ft. to 1,150 ft. long, in addition to areas serviced by a number of jib cranes. CraneTech supplied R&M's Spacemaster® SX wire rope hoists (ranging from 1 -10 ton capacities) and their LK electric chain hoists (ranging from ¼ -2 ton capacities). The hoists were chosen for reliability, flexibility of options, efficiency of operation, and availability of parts, should future maintenance requirements arise.

Robert Murillo, Manufacturing Engineering Manager at GILLIG, explained that the material handling equipment is used for the duration of the daily production cycle, which sees buses move through the building as they take shape from chassis components and welded parts to finished vehicles, complete with tires and engines.

Derek Maunus, president of GILLIG, said: “Our new facility and the quality of buses built here represent a world-class operation that underscores our commitment to both our customers and our employees. We are investing in the GILLIG team, the Bay area, and creating strong, stable U.S. manufacturing jobs.



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