I-Beams: Original T-A®

The customer drills I-beams made from A36 structural steel using a Ficep structural beam drilling machine center with mist coolant.

In need of improvements, the customer requested a solution that would provide more tool life from the drill inserts.

The **Original T-A** structural steel drill easily met the customer's goal.



Product: Original T-A®

Objective: Increase tool life

Industry: Structural steel/fabricator

Part: I-beams

 Material:
 A36 Structural steel

 Hole Ø:
 0.875" (22.225 mm)

 Hole Depth:
 0.4375" (11.113 mm)

Measure	Competitor	Original T-A®
RPM	650	440
Feed Rate	0.010 IPR (0.254 mm/rev)	0.010 IPR (0.254 mm/rev)
Penetration Rate	6.5 IPM (165.1 mm/min)	4.4 IPM (111.76 mm/min)
Tool Life	20 holes	1500 holes

The T-A offered 89.11% cost per hole savings over the competitor tooling.

