## **Steering Knuckles: ALVAN® Reamer**

A contract production and short run job shop is manufacturing automotive steering knuckles made out of ductile cast iron. They are using five Mori Seiki NH5000 HMCs with 40 taper spindle and 1000 PSI thru-spindle coolant.

The customer needed to decrease the cycle time while maintaining a 1.79 CPK level. They also needed to minimize the amount of tools used and still maintain a hole tolerance of +-.0005".

The **ALVAN® Reamer** and EcoCut extended tool life and also reduced the number of tools needed. They achieved a lower cycle time while still maintaining the desired hole tolerance.



		Competitor Reamer	ALVAN® Reamer
Product:	ALVAN <sup>®</sup> Cutting Ring Reamer	• Holes #1 and #2 (EcoCut tooling)	<ul> <li>Holes #1 and #2 (EcoCut tooling)</li> <li>Core</li> <li>500 SFM</li> <li>0.008 IPR</li> <li>Bore</li> <li>300 SFM</li> </ul>
Objectives:	(1) Decrease cycle time (2) Maintain hole tolerance	• Core drill • Twin bore • Single point bore	
Industry:	Automotive	• Chamfer	• 0.003 IPR
Part:	Steering knuckles	<ul> <li>Hole #3</li> <li>Core drill</li> <li>End mill</li> <li>Twin bore</li> <li>Single point bore</li> <li>Chamfer</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Chamfer 500 SFM</li> <li>500 SFM</li> <li>0.006 IPR</li> <li>Hole #3 (ALVAN Reamer)</li> <li>200 SFM</li> <li>0.010 IPR</li> <li>180 SFM</li> <li>0.059 IPR</li> </ul>
Material:	Ductile cast iron		



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