Valve Actuator Bodies: Revolution Drill®

The customer manufactures valve actuator bodies for the aerospace industry. The parts are made from 316 stainless steel. They use a low thrust Mori Seiki machining center with 20 HP using water soluble coolant. Previously, the customer used a series of spade drills that failed due to Z axis overload. They then tried an Iscar plunge mill.

Looking for improvements, the customer needed to reduce the plunge mill's high cost per hole.

The **Revolution Drill®** accomplished the customer's needs by speeding up the process and reducing the overall cost of drilling.



		Measure	Plunge Mill	Revolution Drill®
Product:	Revolution Drill®	RPM	800	1000
Objective:	Decrease cost per hole		0.001 IPR down	
Industry:	Aerospace	Feed Rate	0.005 IPR circular	0.005 IPR
Part:	Valve actuator bodies	Penetration Rate	0.8 IPM	5.0 IPM
Material:	316 Stainless steel	Cycle Time	15 min	2 min 24 sec
Hole Ø:	2.5"	Cycle IIIIe	13 111111	2 111111 24 360

Tool Life

Cost per hole



8 holes

\$21.21

30 holes

\$3.71

Hole Depth: 12"