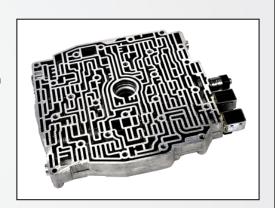


Valve Body: Opening Drill®

The customer manufactures valves for the oil well industry. The customer is machining a valve body made from 4340 alloy steel using a Toshiba Shibaura 15 HP boring mill running with flood coolant.

Unsatisfied with this production process, the customer needed to reduce the cycle time.

The **Opening Drill®** succeessfully reduced cycle time and also lowered the cost of production.



		Measure	Competitor Boring Bars	Opening Drill®
Product:	Opening Drill®			
Objective:	Decrease cycle time	RPM	125	125
Industry:	Oil & gas/petrochemical	Speed	259 SFM	259 SFM
Part:	Valve body	'		
Material:	4340 alloy steel	Feed Rate	0.006 IPR	0.0037 IPR
Hole Ø:	7.9"	Penetration Rate	0.75 IPM	0.46 IPM
Hole Depth:	21"	renetration Rate	0.73 IFIVI	0.40 IFIVI
		Cycle Time	7 hr 20 min	46 min

