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INTERNATIONAL TEXTILE CENTER • TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
LUBBOCK, TEXAS USA

ITC JOINS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Over the past decade, the ITC has existed as an autonomous entity within Texas Tech University, reporting directly to the Office of Research Services. As of April 1, 1998, the ITC became a part of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. Multidisciplinary collaboration will continue to be fundamental to the mission of

the ITC; indeed, such collaboration will be facilitated by the College. The affiliation will also enable effective support from the natural fiber sectors of Texas, which have always been the foundation of the ITC's support and which have a renewed focus on developing and serving the value-added textile industry.

NEW TEXTILE MILL COMING TO WEST TEXAS

Lorber Industries of Texas will be going on line this summer in Snyder, Texas, 80 miles southeast of Lubbock. Its first phase will consist of open-end rotor spinning, producing high quality knitting yarns. Part of the yarns produced will be sent to the parent company, Lorber Industries of California, based in Los Angeles. The ITC has provided a training program for employees who will be involved in the start-up of the textile mill. Further training and technical services will be provided to the company as needed.

NEW RIETER R20 SPINNING FRAME TO BE INSTALLED

The ITC has taken delivery of a new Rieter R20 spinning frame. It is a short frame version of the rotor spinning frames to be installed for Lorber Industries of Texas. Installation at the ITC will precede the installation for Lorber Industries, thereby allowing its immediate use by ITC and Reiter personnel for training and demonstration.

NEW FURNITURE FOR CONFERENCE ROOM

The generosity of the CH Foundation has enabled the purchase of a new conference table and a full contingent of chairs for the ITC conference room. Also, a new full-service credenza for storing dishes and serving at diverse functions in the conference room and throughout the building was obtained. These will greatly facilitate the educational and service activities of the ITC.

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