



# Indiana Packers Quick Chill Cooler Expansion

Delphi, Indiana

The Indiana Packers Corporation (IPC) invested \$70 million on this 160,000 square foot cooler and production capacity expansion, and more than doubled its workforce from 1,300 to 2,700. The facility required all metal building materials be aluminum, stainless, or hot-dip galvanized to comply with USDA food processing requirements. In order to protect their sizeable expansion investment, IPC chose the corrosion protection system that looks attractive and easily withstands the daily contact with corrosive elements. Beef and poultry production can be some of the most corrosive environments imaginable; but hot-dip galvanizing will protect against the corrosive elements, as well as the impact of working in a semi-industrial environment.

The expansion construction was performed in a compressed 6-month schedule and overcame weather delays at the remote location; but thanks to value engineering, including hot-dip galvanizing, the project was completed on schedule, saving the owner time and money. This project was recognized by the Associated Builders and Contractors as one of the nation's top construction projects for the quality and innovation of the design team. Hot-dip galvanizing was a large part of the initial success of the project, and with the longevity and durability of the coating, it will continue to be a prime factor in the project's success for years to come.



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