

SUCCESS STORY

Chain Failure on a Spiral Freezer Tunnel

\$7,000

IN COST SAVINGS



PROBLEM

For this application, the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) supplied a 2060 alloy steel (AS) chain with 60 stainless steel split roller links with A2 attachments. The spiral freezer tunnel experienced a premature lifecycle due to the split roller opening, causing the chain to fail. The chain's standard riveting caused the pins to rotate on the side plate because of tension.



SOLUTION

After inspection, Tsubaki installed its **2060 high-strength stainless steel (HSS)** constructed with different stainless-steel grades and solid rollers. To combat the rotating pin issue, we also recommended spun riveting.

The design improvement resulted in a 20% higher than standard chain rating, increased the life of the chain by 36%, and resulted in a cost saving of \$7,168.