

# JACOB TUBING SYSTEMS FOR MOTHER PARKERS TEA & COFFEE



## ■ THE PROJECT

To prepare the key ingredient for a delicious “cup of joe”, Mother Parkers coffee beans are roasted at a state of the art facility in Fort Worth, Texas. Working with their contractor, the large family owned business selected JACOB tubing products to distribute their range of coffee beans cleanly, efficiently – and colorfully.

## ■ THE PROCESS

Green (unroasted) coffee beans are conveyed through a JACOB turn-head with sixteen outlets to their respective roasting equipment. After the beans have been roasted, they are cable conveyed to another sixteen outlet JACOB turn-head system and distributed to silos for storage before they are packaged. All the components from the turn-heads to the tubing are made from JACOB carbon steel. The coffee beans pass through JACOB stainless steel (304ss) tubing and valves on their way from the silos to the packaging equipment.

■ **THE UNIQUE ASPECT**

Mother Parkers is at the forefront of product quality and innovation. So it comes as no surprise that their entire tubing system is color coded – a rarity in the United States. The first JACOB turn-head system is painted green to signify that the products inside are unroasted (green) coffee beans, while the second turn-head system is painted a reddish brown to show that the beans have now been roasted. Operators do not need to memorize complex plans or call up blueprints – they can simply glance at the color of the tubing and turn-heads!

■ **THE CUSTOMER**

Mother Parkers Tea & Coffee is a family owned business with headquarters in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada ([www.mother-parkers.com](http://www.mother-parkers.com)). They have roasting facilities in both Canada and the United States. Founded in 1912, they have been in business for over a century, and are going stronger than ever. Their Fort Worth (Texas, USA) facility opened its doors in 2001 and, within months, was named Food Manufacturing Plant of The Year. Mother Parkers Tea & Coffee is one of only three coffee roasting companies in North America with direct decaffeination capabilities, and is the fourth largest coffee roaster in North America.



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