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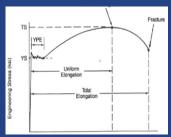
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# Improving Surface Imperfection



### THE PROBLEM:

The customer was experiencing occurrences of surface ripples on drawn components. The problem was sporadic across different lots and could not be detected until after forming.



#### THE ANALYSIS:

The ripples were a result of Luders lines (stretcher strains), which are a result of discontinuous yielding. Defective material was analyzed and compared with successful material. Processing paths were the same but, defective material showed higher levels of yield point elongation (YPE).



#### THE SOLUTION:

A modified/restricted chemistry was implemented to increase robustness of the material against Luders lines. Prior to producing sheets, additional mechanical testing was used to determine presence of YPE, eliminating the issue.

#### THE ACTION:

*When encountering surface imperfections, contact the Material Support & Solution team at Worthington.* 

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