# **Jacobs Ladder Feeder**

When installed on any of GPD's CF-8, CF-12, or retrofitted CF-15 Axial Lead Formers the Jacobs Ladder Feeder (Part No. 8150004) enables you to continuously feed up to 6,000 axial leaded components per hour from either a vibratory bowl or by direct hand placement. It eliminates the need for three different zigzag feeders for different wire diameters.

This option feeds any axial components with a wire diameter from .015" to .060" (0.38 mm to 1.52 mm). The advance pitch is manufactured at .200" (5.08 mm). Any component with a larger body diameter will automatically space out to .400" or .600" (10.16 mm to 15.24 mm).

The Jacobs Ladder Feeder mounts on the lead former in place of the dual feeder chutes. As its inner rails move up and down on a specific pre-determined angle, they lift and advance each component to the next step on the stationary outer rails or "ladder". Components advance on the ladder in this manner until

Ladder Assembly

they are automatically centered in the tooth spaces of the lead former's cutting wheel.

The Jacobs Ladder Feeder is driven from the lead former's existing shaft so no additional power is required, except the CF-15 which requires a factory retrofit.

#### Standard Features:

- All materials hard chromed for wear, rust inhibition
- Extremely low maintenance design and construction

#### Specifications:

Height 3.0" (76.2 mm) Width 5.0" (127.0 mm) Length 12.0" (304.8 mm) Weight 6.0 lbs. (2.7 kg)

### Installation Instructions

The Jacobs Ladder Feeder is easy to mount and includes, as shown at left, a ladder assembly, ladder drive, and safety shield (not shown).

Remove infeed chutes from machine.
Refer to the figure at right for
examples of bulk and dual infeed
chutes. Refer to the "BEFORE" figure
below for infeed chute position on
machine.

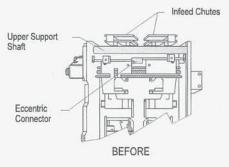


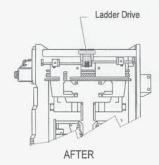


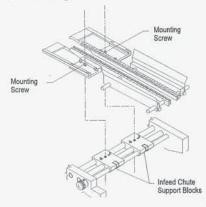
Dual Infeed Chutes

Bulk Feeder Chute

- Install ladder drive refer to the figures at right illustrating machine appearance BEFORE and AFTER infeed chute removal and ladder drive installation.
  - a. Position ladder drive on machine's upper support shaft.
  - Center drive's large roller on machine eccentric connector.
  - c. Lightly tighten 4 screws on ladder drive.
  - d. Carefully position ladder drive parallel to machine's infeed chute support blocks. See infeed chute support blocks in the figure below.
  - e. Finish hand tightening ladder drive screws.
- Install ladder assembly on machine's infeed chute support blocks - refer to figure below. Hand tighten the 2 mounting screws on ladder assembly.





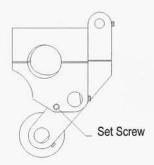


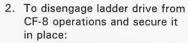
- Manually rotate machine with T-wrench to verify proper installation and check for faulty setup.
  - NOTE: The <u>inner</u> ladder of the ladder assembly must rise above its <u>outer</u> ladder. If it does not, rotate the ladder drive slightly, altering its "parallel to infeed chute support blocks" position.
- Install Jacobs Ladder Feeder safety shield: remove machine's standard safety shield from its hinges and install the modified shield.

## To Use a Different Feeder...

When you want to use a bulk or dual tape feeder, remove only the Jacobs ladder assembly.

- \*\* You can leave the ladder drive and modified safety shield in place \*\*
- 1. Remove ladder assembly.
  - a. Loosen 2 mounting screws.
  - b. Pull ladder up off machine's infeed chute support blocks.





- a. Hold A (see at left) so it's flush with B.
- To secure A in place, snug set screw.
   NOTE: DO NOT over tighten set screw.

### To set up Jacobs Ladder again:

- 1. Loosen ladder drive set screw.
- 2. Reinstall ladder assembly.

