



# Conveyor Equipment Manufacturers Association

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## Conveyor Equipment Manufacturers Association Semi-Annual Press Release

CONVEYOR INDUSTRY SEES SHIPMENT AND ORDER GROWTH AGAIN IN 2007

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NAPLES, FLORIDA – The Conveyor Equipment Manufacturers Association (CEMA) reports that 2007 shipments in North America were up 4.98% for the conveyor industry. CEMA estimates that shipments totaled \$7.82 billion for 2007, an increase of \$371 million from 2006 shipments of \$7.45 billion. This strong showing follows a 5.9% increase in 2006.

CEMA estimates that new orders totaled \$8.11 billion for 2007, which represents an 8.7% increase or \$650 million increase over 2006 orders.

CEMA President, Fred Thimmel, announced the results at the Association's 75<sup>th</sup> annual meeting in La Quinta, California, in March.

CEMA tracks new orders and shipped sales volume in seven classes of unit handling equipment and five classes of bulk handling equipment.

The executives representing CEMA member companies who attended the annual meeting were pleased with the 2007 results and expressed reservations for 2008.

Founded in 1933, CEMA is the trade association of leading North American conveyor equipment manufacturers and engineering firms.

CEMA also makes available to both member and nonmember companies, safety labels for all types of conveyor equipment as well as useful technical information and manuals. For example, CEMA has available for purchase in both CD or hardcopy, the 2<sup>nd</sup> printing of *Belt Conveyors for Bulk Materials 6<sup>th</sup> Edition* - "The Belt Book". This book is an authoritative technical manual for bulk belt conveyor design worldwide. For further information on CEMA, "The Voice of the North American Conveyor Industry" or its member companies, or to order safety labels or CEMA publications, visit our web site at <http://www.cemanet.org>.

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