

# Hilco Industrial announces the sale of a Complete 8" Seamless Tube Plant by FIVES DMS Montbard & SMS Mannesmann Meer

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MONTBARD, FRANCE, January 20, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Hilco Industrial, a global provider of industrial asset solutions, has announced the sale of a complete 8" [seamless tube](#) manufacturing plant located in Montbard, France. The facility, formerly operated as Vallourec Bearing Tubes Montbard, has been mothballed in 2025.



Complete 8" Seamless Tube Plant by FIVES DMS Montbard & SMS Mannesmann Meer

The plant represents one of France's historic centers of Mannesmann seamless tube technology and features core production equipment supplied by FIVES DMS Montbard and SMS

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This offering represents far more than individual machines—it is a complete, historically proven seamless tube manufacturing ecosystem”

*Margot ter Boga*

Mannesmann Meer, two internationally recognized OEMs in seamless tube and rolling mill engineering.

With an annual production capacity of approximately 80,000 tonnes, the facility has produced hot- and cold-rolled seamless tubes for automotive, bearing steel, oil & gas, and industrial applications.

Proven performance, immediate availability

The Montbard plant is a fully integrated operation, processing round billets into finished tubes across a wide

dimensional range:

- Hot Rolled Tubes: up to 203 mm OD, 8–55 mm wall thickness
- Cold Rolled Tubes: 25–102 mm OD, 2–20 mm wall thickness

The hot rolling section combines Stiefel-type piercing and Assel-type elongation, followed by calibration and rotary sizing, enabling tight dimensional tolerances, low eccentricity, and flexible production scheduling. Cold finishing is supported by seven cold pilger mills manufactured by Mannesmann Meer and DMS Montbard, allowing precision reduction of outside diameter and wall thickness for demanding bearing and mechanical tube applications.

### Strategic Opportunity for Global Tube Producers

For producers looking to expand capacity, enter high-precision bearing or automotive tube markets, or relocate a fully engineered plant, opportunities of this scale and pedigree are extremely rare".

The Montbard plant is ideally suited for:

- Seamless tube producers seeking capacity expansion.
- Investors targeting brownfield industrial projects.
- OEMs or Tier-1 suppliers requiring tight tolerances and metallurgical control.
- Markets focused on bearing tubes, mechanical tubing, and API applications.

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