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Wide aluminum sheets

**ALCOA Tennessee operates a new ultra-modern tandem cold mill supplied by SMS group**

As key supplier, SMS group ([www.sms-group.com](http://www.sms-group.com)) delivered and commissioned an ultra-modern twin-stand aluminum tandem cold mill newly installed at ALCOA Inc. near Knoxville, Tennessee, U.S.A.

The new cold rolling mill is part of Alcoa's automotive growth project. The expansion focuses on the production of wide and durable aluminum sheets for lightweight car body construction.

The twin-stand rolling mill was supplied, installed and commissioned by SMS group. The new equipment and automation systems were thoroughly tested, validating their reliable compliance with the stringent quality demands.

The automotive expansion at Tennessee will continue its ramp-up throughout 2016.

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ALCOA operates the new twin-stand tandem cold mill at its Tennessee plant.

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