

## AFA Systems Forms AFA Cooper Division

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BRAMPTON, ON, CANADA | [AFA Systems](#), a manufacturer of automation packaging solutions with global sales, has formed a new separate division entitled AFA Cooper after the acquisition of [Cooper Machine & Tool Company](#). This acquisition reportedly will broaden AFA's product range in the packaging world, especially for the plastic bag and film converting industry, a market they are growing.



AFA Cooper's servo shuttle bag machine

Founded by Andrew Wong in 1978, Cooper Machine started as a jobbing shop and by 1995 specialized in making downstream blown film and bag converting equipment. Cooper says its 800+ converting machines in the market are known for being heavy duty yet simple to operate and maintain and are popular in US, Canada, and Latin America.

Conny Wong, sales and marketing manager at AFA Cooper, says, "Being part of the AFA team allows Cooper to grow long term with infrastructure in place, to compete even more globally, and more access to resources and engineering. AFA Systems already had several customers in the trash bag industry under their belt, so it is exciting that AFA Cooper can now uniquely offer complete downstream turnkey systems from converting equipment to automatically packing bags into finished cartons or cases. There are many synergies and advantages to this acquisition and we look forward to sharing them with our customers soon."

Says AFA president Paul Langen, "Having AFA Cooper as part of the AFA family will ensure a broader range of services and products for our customer. Our goal is to provide innovative machinery that starts from bag producing right down to case packing or palletizing. We are proud to have Cooper Machine join AFA Systems to further enhance our offerings to our customers."

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