

## ***News from WEGENER Welding for March 2021***

### **NEW Products**

Wegener developed a partnership with Huerner Schweisstechnik now offering their line of Pipe Fusion, Electrofusion, and Fitting Fabrication equipment to the U.S. and Canada. The Huerner products are professionally designed, operator friendly, and renowned worldwide for reliability.

Visit our website at [www.wegenerwelding.com](http://www.wegenerwelding.com) or give us a call today to learn more!



### **Industry News**

With our unique position to span across many markets, we have been asking customers across the plastics industry about current trends. A hot topic for discussion with many customers recently is the rapid increase of raw material prices. One major factor driving this pricing increase is that demand is far outpacing the already strained supply. Supply shortages were further exasperated by the Polar Vortex that wreaked havoc on Texas in February of 2021, shutting down refineries and processing plants. As prices continue to rise with increasing demand, many fabricators are stocking up on sheet, further propelling the spot rate prices to an unforeseen premium. If a sheet butt welder has been on your radar, now would be a great time to evaluate your needs as scrap reduction and reclamation may help reduce the impact of these supply shortages and rising costs.

**With warm wishes,**

**Your Wegener Welding Team**