

B&B ATTACHMENTS BESPOKE MAST IS HEADING FOR CHINA



B&B's specially designed mast mounted at the rear of a vehicle chassis.

When leading providers of aviation fuelling technologies, Fluid Transfer International, received an order for a hydrant dispenser for China that didn't meet the specifications of their standard equipment they looked for other solutions to enable them to fulfil the order. The answer was a specially designed mast from B&B Attachments, the UK's leading supplier of masts and forklift attachments.

Destined for Shenzhen Airport in China, the hydrant dispenser needed to have an overall closed height of 2 metres, a lift of 1.6 metres and a step-into height of 0.4 metres when lowered. As Fluid Transfer International's normal design, using a mid-mounted scissor lift, could not

meet these requirements the company needed to come up with a bespoke design to meet their customer's exact specifications.

Following detailed discussions with Fluid Transfer International's Technical Team, B&B Attachments came up with a design for a two-stage mast that could be mounted at the rear of a vehicle chassis. The mast is fitted with a working platform enabling the lift operator to be raised slowly to the correct height to enable him to connect the fuelling hose to the aircraft. The platform is then returned to ground level to enable the operator to begin fuelling operations. In order to meet the 2-metre closed height, the special bespoke hydrant dispenser base vehicle was even fitted with low profile tyres.

B&B Attachments has been the UK and Ireland distributor for lift mast manufacturer, Lift-Tek Elecar, since 1981. B&B has established a firm base for the Lift-Tek Elecar products and developed an in-depth knowledge of applications, service and parts. It is this experience and expertise that enabled them to secure the order from Fluid Transfer International.

Fluid Transfer International is the leading global company for providing total aviation refuelling solutions. The company is recognised as the preferred partner to the world's major oil companies and commercial into-plane operators in addition to military defence organisations.

Established for over 21 years, B&B Attachments is the UK's leading independent supplier of forklift truck attachments and masts. From its sites in Hungerford, West Berkshire and Cramlington, Northumberland, the company operates the UK's largest fleet of service vehicles in the forklift attachment industry, handling site maintenance and repairs for a client base that includes OEMs, forklift truck dealerships and end users.



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