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## Steel Service Centre's £1.75m investment

Steel Service Centre, the laser cutting subcontractor, has ordered equipment worth over £440,000 from Bystronic Pullmax; a Bystronic Byspeed 3015 laser cutting centre equipped with 4.4 kW resonator, sheet loader and the Byteam software. It is the fourth Bystronic laser to be purchased since 2000 and represents an overall investment of over £1.75m.

The machine emphasises the company's core confidence in laser. Managing director Austin Jarrett says: 'Steel Service Centre believes it has a responsibility to its customers to invest in the latest technology. When we became the first company in the UK for invest in the Bytube laser in 2003 we

encouraged and helped our customers to re-design their products in order to benefit from the capabilities of this new technology. Such is the success of this process that one of our customers has won an industry award for its product. Laser tube cutting has become the fastest growing area of our business - we have seen our business more than double in just two years.

'Traditionally laser cutting has been suited to material thickness of 6mm and above. However, the Byspeed can cut thin materials very quickly. We want to attract customers currently using punching and encourage them to reap the benefits of laser.'

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