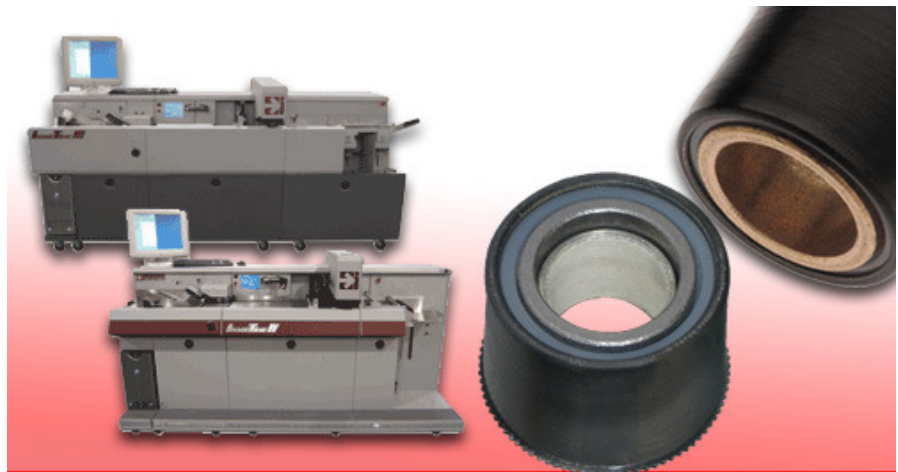


**IBML Advanced Scanning Technology Using Spyraflo Self-Clinching Bearings**

Imaging Business Machines (IBML), a leading developer and manufacturer of high-speed, high-capacity document image scanners, continues to specify Spyraflo self-clinching, self-aligning bearings for quality performance and cost savings. The company's primary product is the ImageTrac® Scanning Platform that converts paper documents into colour and bi-tonal digital images. Bearings are one of the more critical components for IBML, helping to transport documents down a track at a relatively high rate of speed.

Dependable, low- to no-maintenance bearings are critical components for these operations, since they control the level of smooth, noiseless motion that is designed into this equipment. IBML machines carry a 10 year warranty, and the company always looks to specify products they feel can hold up to this guarantee. Over and above their performance, the 6mm and 8mm diameter self-aligning Spyraflo bearings dramatically



cut IBML's manufacturing costs through their ability to self-clinch directly into sheet metal, removing the need for expensive precision-machined blocks. IBML has used Spyraflo self-clinching, self-aligning bronze products exclusively for years, and recently started using the Teflon-Bronze bearings, which offer a much higher load carrying capability, as well as greater oscillatory motion.

