

Lorien Celebrates Landmark Year With RoSPA Award

Lorien Engineering Solutions is celebrating achieving its 18th RoSPA Gold Award, recognising its continued commitment to workplace safety.

The Lichfield based engineering, construction, design and project management company with major national and international clients in the food, pharmaceutical, beverage and environmental sectors, was presented with the Order of Distinction at the RoSPA Awards in Birmingham as recognition of its continuing and consistent performance in Occupational Health & Safety in Construction.



The Order of Distinction is presented to companies with at least 15 years' of RoSPA Gold Medal performance standard. 2010 is the fourth year in a row the engineering consultancy has been presented with the award.

Lorien is marking its 25th anniversary in 2010. Operations director Bill Treddenick said: "We are very proud to receive the Order of Distinction from RoSPA for the fourth time as it clearly demonstrates consistent performance and growth in this area.

"The award not only recognises a company's health and safety record, but also how the business is developing its systems and people. In 2010 we celebrate Lorien's 25th anniversary and this award highlights one of the reasons for our longevity.

"We are also very fortunate to work with clients who take safety seriously. They understand the need for competence, and present us with interesting and challenging projects. More than ever this year we are seeing clients request Lorien to take on CDM Coordinator and Principal Contractor roles under the CDM Regulations on construction projects," he concluded.

RoSPA awards manager David Rawlins said: "Lorien has shown a commitment to protecting the health and well-being of its employees and its clients. Organisations which do this deserve to have such dedication recognised and that's where the RoSPA Awards come in."

Lorien's Health & Safety Advisor, Ralph Weaver commented, "In addition to the considerations of construction safety, manufacturing automation has increased in complexity. Provided it is operated correctly, automated machinery generally runs smoothly and needs little maintenance. In reality, the need for operator intervention and maintenance increases as plant becomes ever more sophisticated."

"Over the past 12 years in Europe there has been a steady stream of workplace legislation that has had an increasing focus on the human element and wellbeing – especially operator safety.

"Legislation is designed to protect workers who operate or look after factory plant but even with such close regulation, it doesn't always follow that compliance is achieved, or even fully understood."

The firm also provides consultancy and training services in CE marking, PUWER and ATEX compliance.

Peter Jones, Lorien's Business Development Manager added "There is a growing demand for our compliance service from clients across the UK, Europe and other countries worldwide. Engineering in regulatory compliance, together with the safety and wellbeing of staff are the key

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priorities. Our engineers undertake procedures such as HAZOP (process safety assessment), ATEX and DSEAR reviews (including explosion protection reports and area classifications), FMEA (Failure Modes and Effects Analysis), Safety & Operability reviews, as well as occupation health and safety and construction safety planning and supervision.

"We are seeing an increasing requirement from customers concerns CE marking and ATEX compliance advice when manufacturing businesses buy plant from outside the EU (typically low-cost economies), or transfer pre-used plant to the EU from outside of Europe. We also continue to provide CE Marking advice with respect to production lines made up from different suppliers that will together act as one large machine or 'complex assembly' under the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations."

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