

Media Release

Leadec picks up two prestigious health and safety management awards at the first attempt

Wolverhampton/Castle Bromwich, UK, 1/13/20 - The British Safety Council awards industrial services specialist, Leadec, with two Sword of Honour awards for 2019.

- Leadec achieves its Sword of Honour awards by demonstrating excellence in the management of health and safety risks at two Jaguar Land Rover plants, where it supplies industrial services.
- Leadec achieves the maximum five stars in the British Safety Council's health and safety management audit scheme at all four Jaguar Land Rover sites audited (see release for detail).
- Leadec completes latest three-year audit cycle of all company management systems with zero non-conformities.
- Leadec provides facility management services including cleaning and waste management to Jaguar Land Rover's UK plants.

Its on-site operations at Jaguar Land Rover's Engine Manufacturing Centre (EMC) in Wolverhampton and vehicle assembly plant in Castle Bromwich, where Leadec provides facility management services including cleaning and waste management, were two of 84 worldwide that achieved a Sword of Honour in 2019. They are awarded to companies that demonstrate excellence in the management of health and safety risks at work.

In order to compete for the Sword of Honour, Leadec first had to achieve the maximum five stars in the British Safety Council's health and safety management audit scheme in the period August 2018 – July 2019. It must also demonstrate to an independent panel of experts that it has achieved excellence in health and safety management throughout the business – from the shopfloor to the boardroom.

Leadec undertook five-star audits at its head office in Warwick and at four Jaguar Land Rover locations, having chosen to make no preparation before the first site audit to test its management systems against the industry benchmark. They narrowly missed out on scoring five stars at that audit, and after making only minimal changes to their management systems, achieved five stars for the remaining three audits, with the first audit site awarded five stars shortly afterwards.

The Company, which renewed its existing cleaning and waste management contracts at Jaguar Land Rover's three UK vehicle assembly plants this year, and which provides facility management services to the EMC, has recently also completed its latest three-year audit cycle of company management systems certified to the latest standards (ISO 45001, 9001 and 14001), with zero non-conformities. With these systems, Leadec can consistently implement the same standard of health and safety (and quality and environmental) management across its customer base and sectors. Among others, Leadec is also certified to IATF16949 for its assembly operations.

Lee Smith, Managing Director, said: "It is our express aim that all of our employees and customers receive the benefits of a great health and safety management system, and we are all delighted to have been recognised by the British Safety Council with a Sword of Honour at the EMC and Castle Bromwich at our first attempt. As an organisation whose employees are mostly based on customer premises, the emphasis on health and safety is constantly reinforced, whether that be through training, incessant auditing or continuous improvement. These prestigious awards are just one, albeit very significant, step in our drive to bring the best health and safety culture to our industry and customers."

Lawrence Waterman, Chairman of the British Safety Council, said: "On behalf of the board of trustees and staff of the British Safety Council I would like to congratulate Leadec on achieving the very highest standards of health, safety and environmental management. Excellence at this level is very hard won. We are proud to have supported you in your achievements, and I am delighted that you have chosen to celebrate it with us today."

Mike Robinson, Chief Executive of the British Safety Council, added: "I would like to congratulate the winning organisation and its staff for their huge commitment to keeping their workplace safe and healthy and minimising risks to the environment from their organisations' day-to-day activities. All of the Sword and Globe winning organisations share a commitment and resolve to achieve the highest standards of health, safety and/or environmental management. We are delighted that they are partners in helping achieve our vision that no-one should be injured or made ill through their work."

About Leadec

Leadec is the leading provider of technical services for the automotive and manufacturing industries. The company, which is headquartered in Stuttgart, employs about 20,000 people worldwide. In 2018 Leadec earned sales of around EUR 900 million. For more than 50 years, Leadec has

been supporting its customers along the entire production supply chain. The service provider is based at more than 250 sites, often directly at the customers' plants and facilities.

Leadec's global services comprise: Engineer (consulting and engineering), Install (electrical installation, automation, disassembly and reassembly), Maintain (production equipment maintenance and technical cleaning), Support (facility management and internal logistics) as well as other local services. The services are provided either in projects or permanently on site at the customer's premises.

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