

Media Release

Leadec promotes its new wheel and tyre assembly operation at Automechanika Birmingham 2017

Warwick, June 6, 2017 – Leadec, a uniquely positioned provider of outsourced services to the automotive sector, is promoting the success of its recently commissioned state-of-the-art wheel and tyre assembly operation in Coventry/UK.

At the Automechanika Birmingham on stand 19D70 the company is exhibiting two wheel and tyre assemblies produced at its new £5 million facility in Torrington Avenue, which is the most technically advanced in the UK. Previously wheel and tyre assembly had been carried out for 30 years a few hundred yards away in three separate buildings with a total capacity of 97,000 square feet.

The new facility brings all operations under one roof with 150,000 square feet – an increase in capacity of more than 50 per cent. A new technically advanced 90-metre assembly line completes a wheel and tyre assembly in only 12 seconds compared to 20 seconds at the old facility.

The new track, which includes 10 fully-automated work-stations, is programmed to assemble every single possible combination of over 700 wheel and tyre derivatives currently with the capacity for 1,000. It is the only plant in the UK that can handle wheel sizes between 16 and 24 inches, and can produce 2.5 million assemblies a year on three shifts. "The new operation has been developed to meet the growing demand from premium and luxury car brands, such as Jaguar Land Rover, as well as for volume car manufacturers such as Vauxhall," said Adam Hart, Leadec UK's business development director.

Leadec was awarded JLRQ, a top Quality award from Jaguar Land Rover, for its wheel and tyre operations. The award was formally presented in 2015 following assessments over a 12-month period on a range of criteria including its quality, delivery, technical ability, and planned preventive maintenance programmes.

The company already holds the stringent automotive assembly quality standard, ISO/TS16949. Leadec has its UK headquarters in Warwick. The company has achieved significant growth in the automotive sector in the past five years in the UK. In the UK Leadec's clients include major automotive manufacturers such as Jaguar Land Rover, General Motors,



Ford and Bentley. Among clients in the supply chain are BP Castrol, Plastic Omnium, and Magna group companies.

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For more than 50 years, Leadec has been providing automobile manufacturers and automotive suppliers, for example, with support for their production chains. A flexible workforce of around 16,600 highly skilled personnel is available for short-term or permanent deployments at customers' production sites in more than 200 locations. The services provided range from On-site Services (Production Equipment Maintenance, Technical Cleaning, Facility Services, Manufacturing Support) through Project Solutions/Engineering (Development Services, Manufacturing Engineering, Automation, Electrical Installation, Machine Relocations) to Assembly Solutions (Wheel and Tyre Assembly, Value-added Assembly).

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