

Press Release

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Voith Industrial Services wins contracts at automotive plants in UK

- Major facilities management contract at new Engine Manufacturing Centre at Wolverhampton
- Existing facility management business with UK production plants extended

Voith Industrial Services, a leading service provider to the UK automotive industry, has won a major facilities management contract for Jaguar Land Rover's new Engine Manufacturing Centre at Wolverhampton.

The contract was won in a competitive tender. The work, which will involve about 50 jobs, comprises a detailed specification for cleaning, waste management, grounds maintenance, landscaping, and winter services.

It also includes the maintenance of all facility equipment such as boilers, heating and ventilation systems, and water treatment, as well as the disposal of items such as metal scrap and swarf to the factory gate.

The team of Voith Industrial Services in Warwick (UK) is progressively taking over facilities management responsibilities at the new Engine Manufacturing Centre as more services come on line.

Voith Industrial Services' sales and business development director, Phil Spencer, said: "We are proud to be Jaguar Land Rover's facilities management partner in this fantastic investment in their new Engine Manufacturing Centre. This new contract with Jaguar Land Rover underlines Voith Industrial Services' credentials in the UK automotive sector."

In addition to this contract, Voith received an extension of existing business at Jaguar Land Rover's UK manufacturing plants at Solihull, Castle Bromwich and Halewood. The contract involves managing a range of services at these facilities involving 700 employees.

Voith Industrial Services is one of the world's leading providers of technical cleaning services in paint shops. This services Voith provides at 80 car plants – and now at Wolverhampton as well as Jaguar Land Rover's three UK plants, too.

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Other technical services that Voith will be responsible for include electrical, heating, ventilation and air-conditioning maintenance. Facility management services will also include janitorial cleaning, office cleaning, waste management and buildings.

"We have enjoyed a long-standing relationship with Jaguar Land Rover and are obviously delighted that it will continue in the future," said Phil Spencer. "The recent expansion of Jaguar Land Rover into new markets, and their introduction of new models, makes Jaguar Land Rover a strategically important customer, and we hope we can build on this success over the coming years."

A further contract was announced with Vauxhall Motors as further evidence of Voith's growing range of specialist technical services it can offer to the UK automotive industry.

Over the years the industrial service providers had progressed from a company providing basic cleaning services to one that now provides specialist technical expertise in many areas. "At Vauxhall for example, we started with a cleaning contract over a decade ago. Later we carried out small sub-assembly work and moved on to assembling safety-critical modules including axles, struts, front corners and sub-frames," said Phil Spencer. "Our latest work with Vauxhall uses our specialist expertise in more advanced technical areas. We helped design and develop part of the engine assembly line for the new Vivaro van and operate it on behalf of Vauxhall."

In the UK Voith Industrial Services has an increasing sales turnover and provides services in facility management, technical cleaning, wheel and tyre assembly, and managed processes.

About Voith Industrial Services:

Voith Industrial Services, a division of Voith GmbH with a current workforce of around 18,500, is one of the leading providers of technical services for key industries such as automotive, energy, chemicals and petrochemicals and of engineering services. In 2013/2014, the company generated sales of \notin 1.18 billion at its more than 170 locations worldwide.

About Voith:

Voith sets standards in the energy, oil & gas, paper, raw materials and transport & automotive markets. Founded in 1867, Voith has nearly 39,000 employees today and generates 5.3 billion euros in sales. It has locations in around 50 countries worldwide and is one of the large family-owned companies in Europe.

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