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Hone-All achieves Bronze level status within SC21

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Hone-All is the 25th UK firm to achieve Bronze level status within the SC21 aerospace supply chain initiative - and did it in the shortest timescale.

Although there are currently 626 UK-based aerospace industry suppliers signed up to the SC21 supply chain initiative, Bronze level status has been achieved by around only thirty UK companies to date. Hone-All is 25th on the list, with the distinction of passing the Bronze Award milestone in the shortest timescale.



Bronze level status of the SC21 supply chain initiative is awarded by Peter Hogg, Director of Procurement Strategy, BAE Systems, to Wayne Wilson, Quality Manager, and Andrea Rodney, Director of Hone-All

SC21 is backed by A|D|S - the trade body formed by the merger of, among others, the Defence Manufacturers Association (DMA) and the Society

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of British Aerospace Companies (SBAC). It is a crucial element in the UK aerospace industry's drive to remove duplication and improve efficiency within the supply chain. The Farnborough International Airshow 2010 was the venue for the presentation of the Award by Peter Hogg, Director of Procurement Strategy, BAE Systems, to Wayne Wilson, Quality Manager, and Andrea Rodney, Director, the Leighton Buzzard subcontractor's joint SC21 Champions.

In his role as Chairman of the SC21 task force Hogg heads a team comprising the top 16 major suppliers to the UK aerospace industry. He says that while SC21 is a relatively recent introduction it is 'resulting already in performance improvements, better delivery, better quality, and reduced overheads and cost...because suppliers only have to face a particular problem once within a multiple customer base. This is good news for our major customer - the Government and MoD - and for the UK economy as a whole.'

Having successfully achieved AS 9100 accreditation in September 2009 and taking just four months to satisfy the recently-upgraded SC21 Bronze level performance requirements of 90-95% on-time deliveries and 98-99.5% quality performance, Hone-All Precision now has the SC21 Silver Award in its sights. The Silver level criterion of 99.5-99.9% quality performance has been achieved by only five participating companies to date and Colin Rodney, Managing Director, says he is confident that Hone-All Precision 'will succeed in its drive to become a member of this elite group'.

Acknowledging that SC21 presents a tremendous challenge, especially to SMEs taking an independent route to qualification, Andrea Rodney is taking part in the Open Forum Programme that accompanies the Aero Engineering 2010 exhibition on 29-30 September at the NEC. 'I intend to take this opportunity to offer encouragement and reassurance to other SMEs that the objectives set by SC21 are achievable, given a clear agenda for change and a determination to devote the time and resource necessary for a successful outcome,' says Bedfordshire's Businesswoman of the Year 2009. 'The incentive for every participant taking part in this supply chain improvement programme is that successful implementation of SC21 provides incontrovertible evidence of an individual supplier's determination to be truly world class.'

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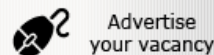
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