

Siemens reaches final of Southern England Excellence Awards 2009

Traffic technology company Siemens Mobility, Traffic Solutions based in Poole, Dorset has been selected as one of three finalists for the 2009 Southern England Excellence Award. Presented annually by the British Quality Foundation, the award recognises business performance improvement measured against Europe's most widely used management framework, the Excellence Model.

Widely acknowledged as UK market leader in the design, manufacture, installation and maintenance of traffic technologies and systems, the company is joined by other organisations from across the South competing for recognition of their achievements within the excellence model. The winner will be announced, along with a final European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) score, at a ceremony in October.

According to Managing Director, Gordon Wakeford: 'Being short-listed is a great result for Traffic Solutions and provides further proof of our commitment to quality traffic solutions and service excellence.'

At its award-winning facility, which is both its headquarters and manufacturing site, the company employs 350 people and it also operates 25 regional offices and depots across the country, allowing service to be provided nationally.

Business Improvement and Diversity Manager Lindsey Turnbull said: 'Using the EFQM model we can identify our strengths and weaknesses and use this information to develop improvements for the future; helping us to create a more successful business.

Siemens is about innovation and technology. If we don't continue to get better as a business all the time we just wouldn't be where we are today.'

Notes to editors:

About Siemens in the UK

Siemens was established in the United Kingdom 166 years ago and now employs 18,402 people in the UK. Last year's revenues were £3.7 billion. As a leading global engineering and technology services company, Siemens provides innovative solutions to help tackle the world's major challenges, across the key sectors of energy, industry and healthcare. Siemens has offices and factories throughout the UK, with its headquarters in Frimley, Surrey. The company's global headquarters is in Munich, Germany. For more information, visit www.siemens.co.uk

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