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Atlas Ward invest in Visual Welding Inspection Courses for their Employees

A number of Atlas Ward employees have recently attended Visual Weld Inspection Courses. These courses were presented by a representative of the TWI (The Welding Institute). 23 employees which include welders, fabricators and site managers attended these courses over the 2 day period and have now received certificates of attendance from the TWI.

Bernard Overfield, Quality & Inspection Manger, Atlas Ward Structures, said,

“Atlas Ward continues its commitment to training with TWI, carrying out internal training for the Visual Inspection of Weld. This is based on the requirement of the National Structural Steelwork Specification (NSSS)”

“These courses were run to give our employees more knowledge on the above subject particularly our Site Managers. It will also strengthen our position with our BS EN ISO 3834 accreditation.”

Richard Pratt, Production Director, Atlas Ward Structures, said,

“Atlas Ward has a strong commitment to training and development for all our employees throughout the company.

Development in individual’s skills and qualifications has taken the company forward in terms of manufacturing processes and quality assurance achievements.

We believe investment in people is an investment in the future success of the business.”

Editor's Notes:

About Atlas Ward Structures

Atlas Ward Structures Limited are one of the largest Structural Steel Fabricators in the UK. They design, fabricate and erect structural steel framed buildings in the Industrial, Commercial, Education, Residential and Health sectors.

Atlas Ward Structures Limited operates UK wide and is a subsidiary of Severfield-Rowen Plc – its parent company, with a turnover of over £290 million.

Severfield-Rowen Plc acquired Atlas Ward Structures Limited on 1 April 2005.

About Severfield-Rowen Plc

Severfield-Rowen Plc is the market leader in structural steel, and consists of the following major Group Companies:

- § Severfield-Reeve Structures, Dalton, North Yorkshire
- § Watson Steel Structures, Bolton, Lancashire
- § Rowen Structures, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Nottingham
- § Atlas Ward Structures, Sherburn, North Yorkshire
- § Steelcraft Erection Services based at Dalton, North Yorkshire
- § Fisher Engineering located in Northern Ireland

The combined resources of the Group of Companies have the design, engineering skills and experience to handle complex projects over a diverse range of sectors.

The Companies can facilitate the production of a wide range of steelwork packages, including projects requiring high added value engineering content.

Proven Group Strengths:

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| § Performance and Value | § Multi-Sector Presence |
| § Project Completion Track Record | § Fabsec® |
| § Capability and Flexibility | § Beams/Firebeam® |
| § Design Engineering | § Plate Girders |
| | § Stairs and Feature Steelwork |
| § Customer Focus | § Sections |
| § Health & Safety Record | § Tubular Constructions |
| § Financial Strength | § Intumescent Coating |

About TWI

TWI is a non-profit distributing, membership-based company. It is owned by its Members - 3,500 from 60 countries around the world.

TWI's mission is to deliver world-class service in joining materials, engineering and allied technologies to meet the needs of a global membership and its associated community.

Its vision is to be the most influential global network for stimulation and development of economic value and quality of life through Materials Joining Technologies.

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Photo:

Photos are attached in JPEG format to the email. Named – 'Visual Weld Course'.

Pictured from left to right:

Paul Stonehouse - Atlas Ward Structures Ltd – Production Foreman

Ben Locker - Atlas Ward Structures Ltd – Welder

Howard Skelton – Atlas Ward Structures Ltd – Welder

Richard Pratt – Atlas Ward Structures Ltd – Production Director

Adam Hunter - Atlas Ward Structures Ltd – Welder

Mark Craggs - Atlas Ward Structures Ltd – Welder

Dave Cracknell - Atlas Ward Structures Ltd – Welder

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Governing Bodies - TWI (The Welding Institute) and EWF (European Federation for Welding, Joining & Cutting)