

Lotus Automation (Ireland) Ltd achieves Environmental and Health & Safety certifications

Lotus Automation Ireland Ltd is delighted to announce its recent certification to two internationally recognised standards Environmental ISO 14001:2004 and Health & Safety OHSAS 18001:1999.

Environmental ISO 14001:2004 is an international standard on environmental management. It specifies a framework for the development of an environmental management system. OHSAS 18001:1999 is an international specification that sets out a series of requirements for Health & Safety management systems, to enable organisations to control Health & Safety risks and improve performance.

Commenting on the certifications Olivia McGourty from the Quality department states "Lotus Automation has been operating to the ISO 9001:2000 quality management standard for a number of years now and last year the company made a decision to commit time and resources to achieving both ISO 14001 & OHSAS 18001, naturally we are thrilled to have now received certification and it is a real achievement as I believe there are less than 20 companies nationwide which have achieved these three certifications to date"

The development of Lotus Automation's Environmental and Health & Safety management systems started a year ago with a thorough initial status review. It culminated in an audit programme by SGS Ireland, with Lotus Automation being recommended for certification in December 2005.

Nicola Kennedy from the Health & safety Department commented "Due to our recent expansion and the relocation to new premises, the need for a systematic approach to management of occupational health & safety within Lotus Automation has become ever more apparent. Achieving the certification demonstrates that our company has a well functioning EMS in place, ensuring the company's environmental policies will be achieved. Emphasis is placed on eliminating problems at source in a proactive manner rather than reacting to environmental incidents once they have occurred"

An Environmental Management System (EMS) is a management tool designed to help a company manage the environmental aspects of its operation. Achieving certification to OHSAS 18001:1999 and ISO 14001:2004 will provide a framework for continuous improvement across the company. These certifications will enable the amalgamation of Environmental and Health and Safety with the ISO 9001:2000 standard, making for an efficient and integrated approach to the management of Lotus Automation's business processes as it moves forward.

Lotus Automation (Ireland) Ltd is operational since 1989 and is a leading provider of engineering support services and solutions to clients nationally and internationally.



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