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Cod Beck Blenders

Thirsk chemical processing business appoints new site manager



Dave McCombe has been appointed as site manager for Cod Beck Blenders, the toll and contract manufacturing services provider based in Thirsk, North Yorkshire.

With more than 30 years' experience, Dave joins from Siemens in Hull where he held the position of operations manager. Prior to that, he spent 13 years with Crown Paints, latterly as manufacturing director. He has also worked for Akzo Nobel Decorative Coatings and for Orvec International.

Dave has a strong track record in manufacturing operations management with specialist knowledge of Lean Manufacturing, Q-HSE management and project management. In his new role, he will be responsible for managing the delivery of all production activities for the Cod Beck Blenders site to ensure business and operational objectives are achieved in compliance with the required SHE and quality standards.

Managing director of Cod Beck Blenders, Steven Meyer, who joined the business a year ago, explains: "Over the last 29 years, Cod Beck Blenders has grown organically and established a reputation as a trusted partner, working with a blue chip client base to provide an integrated service for 'own label' products across a diverse range of sectors.

"We are keen not only to invest in further improving the facilities at our purpose-built eight acre site, but also to ensure that our production processes are as efficient as possible and Dave will play a key part in helping us to achieve this. With his extensive experience in manufacturing operations management



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at a senior level in major companies, he will support and develop the business as we strive for ‘best in class’ production, HSE, quality and IR standards as well as ensuring that we consistently deliver exceptional customer service.”

Dave comments, “This is a fantastic opportunity to make a real difference by incorporating the latest thinking in efficient production processes into Cod Beck Blenders, a sound business which I believe has great potential for significant further growth.”

Established in 1988, Cod Beck Blenders works with blue chip clients across the pharmaceutical, agricultural, agrochemical, horticultural and fine chemical industries. The site comprises eight dedicated units and 22 multi-purpose units, offering a full range of services including blending, packing and specialised chemical drying of powders and liquids together with extensive warehousing capacity. It has accreditations and licences from the leading industry bodies and regulatory agencies, and includes a separate BRC approved food safe facility.