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Siemens gains British Standard

Following a series of recent audits, Siemens has been awarded an Environmental Management System (EMS) certificate by BSI (British Standards Institution). The company is now certified to ISO14001: 2004 standard at Poole, Hayes, Droitwich, Glasgow and Belfast.

According to the company's Business Assurance Manager, Colin Cox, environmental considerations are fast becoming one of the key factors behind the purchasing decisions of customers. 'This is a tremendous achievement which was only made possible with the assistance and support of those staff that took part in the certification audit process and is doubly important to our business in supporting our customer's changing environmental priorities,' he said.

ISO 14000 is the international specification for environmental management systems and it help organisations understand and minimise their impacts on the environment and their compliance with legislation and regulations.

ISO 14001 is a standard within the 14000 series and specifies requirements for establishing an environmental policy, identifying environmental aspects and impacts of products, activities or services and planning environmental objectives and targets, implementation and operation of programs to meet objectives and targets, checking and corrective action, and management review.

ISO 14000 is similar to ISO 9000 in that both focus on the process rather than the product itself. The overall idea is to establish an organised approach to reduce the impact of the identified environmental aspects which an organisation can control.

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Colin Cox concluded: 'This is a further example of Siemens commitment to sustainability. Not only can our customers be confident that our products will help them meet challenging environmental requirements, they can be confident that we are considering similar concerns throughout the end to end process of getting these innovative products to market.'

About Siemens

Siemens design, manufacture, install and maintain a wide range of traffic engineering products and systems to enhance road safety and improve traffic flow in congested urban and inter-urban areas. In the United Kingdom, The Traffic Solutions business has around 800 employees including approximately 350 skilled service engineers dedicated every day of the year to maintaining over half of all traffic control equipment installed on the UK road network.

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