

Winoa Holds First Health & Safety Week

WINOA has enlisted DuPont Sustainable Solutions (DSS) to increase safety awareness among its employees worldwide.

In May 2019, Winoa employees were challenged to keep safety top-of-mind by taking part in the company's first Health & Safety Week. Winoa focused on "incident investigation", kicking the week off all of the company's sites with an official message from the Executive Committee and an e-learning course on incident investigation. The course was paired with a practical "surprise" exercise where employees had to find the root causes behind an incident scene set up on all sites. This exercise aimed to put the theory into practice so that all employees could understand the risks they could face and the importance of putting safety at the heart of their daily activities.

Every employee received a different microlearning course each day on safety-oriented topics, including observation tips, how to deal with stress, slips & trips, emergency evacuation and back injuries. The objective of these microlearnings was to raise awareness on key topics that affect all workers, from office to plant site. Employees shared their experience when it comes to incidents, both in their private and professional lives, to bring more awareness to the fact that safety is a behavior that does not stop in the workplace but is transferred to every aspect of one's life.

"With about 1000 employees and a presence in more than 20 countries," says Pierre Escolier, CEO of Winoa, "we want Health & Safety to be one of the building blocks for a stronger culture within Winoa and it starts by talking about safety. The goal of our collaboration with DSS is not only to raise awareness, but to make safety something personal for each and every one of our employees and make safety an active choice." ●

About Winoa

Winoa is the leading global manufacturer of steel abrasives serving the transportation, equipment, energy and construction industries. Headquartered in Le Cheylas, France, Winoa employs about 1000 people and operates 11 manufacturing facilities located in France, Spain, Canada, South Korea, United States, Japan, Slovenia, Brazil, Thailand, South Africa and Russia.

About DuPont Sustainable Solutions

DuPont Sustainable Solutions (DSS), a DowDuPont Specialty Products Division business, is a leading provider of world-class operations consulting services to help organizations transform and optimize their processes, technologies, and capabilities. DSS is committed to improving the safety, productivity, and sustainability of organizations around the world. Visit www.sustainablesolutions.dupont.com for more information.

Norican Group Welcomes Joe Everett

THE NORICAN GROUP

is pleased to welcome Joe Everett to the Wheelabrator Group team as Director OEM Product Development.

Joe will lead product and market development in structural and fabrication applications to support customer solutions. As a 35-year veteran of the blast industry, Joe will combine his technical expertise and process knowledge with the broad Wheelabrator portfolio to develop innovative solutions to meet customer surface preparation requirements. Joe will work closely with our sales, applications and product engineering teams to create innovative solutions to exceed customer expectations.

When asked about joining Wheelabrator, Joe replied, "I've always considered Wheelabrator as a formidable and aggressive competitor. I researched their position in the industry versus other suppliers and found a vision for the future, an action plan to renew Wheelabrator's dominance in the surface preparation market and most importantly a commitment to serve customer needs. I want to be a part of that."

Marty Magill, Sr, VP Norican Group commented, "We are excited to add Joe's extensive blast experience and industry expertise to our Wheelabrator team to further enhance the value we can provide our customers. His consultative problem-solving skills will help our customers tackle their toughest challenges." ●

About Wheelabrator Group

Wheelabrator Group is the global leader in surface preparation technology offering a complete range of equipment, parts and services for air blast, wheel blast and mass finishing solutions. Leading companies in the foundry, automotive, aerospace, energy, marine, rail, construction and many other industries select Wheelabrator Group's products and services to improve their productivity and profitability. Norican Group is home to four leading, globally operating brands: Wheelabrator Group, DISA, Italtresse Gauss and StrikoWestofen. Together, they offer customers around the world a broad spectrum of solutions, spanning end-to-end grey iron foundry equipment, integrated light alloy castings solutions, high-end furnace technology, and surface preparation technology and services.



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