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## **PICKERSGILL-KAYE HOLDS THE KEY TO SAFE POLICE CELL SECURITY**

Custody cells in police stations are an important link in the nation's security chain and it is vital that they provide a reliable and safe containment of aggressive and vulnerable detainees. Now a new range of locks manufactured by a Leeds based engineering company is able to provide the highest specification custodial locking solution on the market.

Pickersgill-Kaye Ltd's "K-Interactive" Class 1 electro-mechanical range of cell locks has been developed by the company in conjunction with its special partner, Core Systems (NI) Ltd, who has developed the controlling "OneTouch" software technology. Together, both companies combine product which offers a state of the art cell management system which may use a variety of configurable software options - a true solution for all situations.

Through the OneTouch software, all events at the lock and the console are monitored and recorded in real time. Reports can be generated which provide a record of all authorised and unauthorised actions.

The Kaye Class 1 Cell Lock is made from a one piece heavy duty solid steel plated body and fits all UK cell doors. The 8 lever lock meets the demanding performance requirements laid down in standard SS317 – A Specification for Locks for Custodial Doors. This internationally respected standard accurately measures the lock's resistance to wilful damage, physical security, ergonomics and performance in a hostile environment.

**News release PKAYE PR12a continued:**

Pickersgill-Kaye's business development manager for security and engineering products, John Moore, said: "Custody cells in police stations are designed for short term and rapid re-use. However, recent pressure in our overcrowded prisons is already seeing some of them being used to cope temporarily with increased demand for prison spaces created by sentencing in the Courts. Police cells are designed to accommodate both violent and vulnerable detainees and Kaye locks are able to resist and withstand all sorts of abuse. The K-Interactive range provides the level of operational reliability needed in this situation."

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**Background information:**

Pickersgill-Kaye Ltd has built a solid reputation over the past 150 years through the specialist design and manufacture of Kaye's patent door locks for the architectural and railway industries throughout the UK and overseas. More recently, the company has diversified and is now using its expertise to design high quality locks for the UK detention industry.

Operating from premises in Leeds, the company uses state of the art CAD systems linked to advanced CNC engineering facilities, producing high quality, British engineered products to the highest quality standards.

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