



2012 EXPORT BOOST HELPS PICKERSGILL-KAYE FIGHT BACK AGAINST ECONOMIC DOWNTURN

Pickersgill-Kaye has fought back against the economic downturn and secured further export business, which has enabled it to maintain overseas turnover just below £1 million during 2012.

The company during the past 12 months has won contracts with a number of well-known blue chip names. On the railways side of the business it has a North American order for further emergency talkback units for fitting to the Toronto Transit 'Rocket' subway cars. Whilst in Europe, the business manufactured loco locks for the Bombardier Traxx locomotives in Germany, Italy and Switzerland plus locks for Swiss Railways and also Polmor based in Poland.

Emergency door release access panels were also exported to IFE based in the Czech Republic for use on the new build Siemens vehicles, which ultimately will be used by Austrian Railways. Ongoing maintenance parts were also exported to Irish Rail, plus underframe side skirt locks to SAPA in Belgium (for UK new railway build) and last but not least, emergency hammer boxes to Siemens and Bombardier for new build trams which will also be used in Belgium.

Meanwhile, on the custodial front demand for Pickersgill-Kaye's range of high security and custodial locks for prisons and police stations continues.

DALESMAN FABRICATION USES PICKERSGILLS' SKILLS FOR NORTHERN RAIL PROJECT

Fittings in train carriages take a lot of pummelling from the travelling public, which is why a leading metal fabrication manufacturer turned to Pickersgill Electroplating's powder coating expertise after winning a contract with the largest UK train operator.

Dalesman Fabrication Ltd is refurbishing metal items for Northern Rail, such as seat pedestals, litter bins, handrails and table legs, installed on carriages belonging to the train company's fleet of 16 Class 158 and 144 units. The two companies have a long association having previously undertaken chrome plating, polishing and powder coating work.

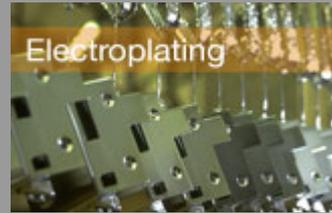
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Familiarity with the quality of workmanship Pickersgills provides was ultimately behind Dalesman's decision to choose it for the on-going Northern Rail project. The work involves painting everything made from metal within the passenger carriages, as they are taken out of service on a rotating basis to allow the refurbishment to be carried out.

Dalesman director, Sean Gelder, says: "Metal fittings in passenger trains have to withstand lots of rough treatment and mishandling from the public so they need a hardwearing finish. We did try other powder coaters but they could not match the quality and high level of service we always get from Pickersgills."



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PICKERSGILL KAYE LOCKS SHOW THE WAY TO A SECURE FUTURE

During March Pickersgill-Kaye showcased a portfolio of high security and custodial locking products at the Home Office's 2013 Security & Policing Exhibition in Farnborough.



The innovative manufacturer launched its latest model at the show, the L8774, an electro-mechanical custodial lock, which is expected to create a large amount of interest. The Leeds based firm also demonstrated its Custodial Class 1 cell locks, Pass Locks and High Security Multipoint Locks (MPL). Also exhibited was a high security slide bar and claw gate locks for perimeter security applications and the industry standard Kaye-Rota padlock.

The Class 1 Cell Lock is made from a single solid billet and fits all standard cell doors. Tested against 300,000 door and handle operation cycles, the cell door locks are considered to be the best in the market.



PICKERSGILL-KAYE PLAYS KEY ROLE IN GARDA CELLS UPGRADE

Pickersgill-Kaye products have been selected for an on-going programme of major cell refurbishment works to improve health and safety in the Irish Republic.

The locks and door hatches have been specifically designed in consultation with the Garda and Office of Public Works to reduce cell injuries and in extreme cases deaths, by minimising ligature points.

One of the most recent Garda stations to benefit from a cell refit is Blackrock in Dublin.

