

# WAX MATTERS

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## Blayson ISO 9001 Reaccreditation

Blayson Olefines Ltd has been reaccredited to ISO 9001:2008 for the next 3 years. Great emphasis is placed by the company on its quality system and thereby the quality products that the company produces and supplies.



The reaccreditation is a mark of the company's commitment to quality, the quality materials that it supplies and the efforts of all staff contributing to this ethos. Blayson will now start to prepare for the introduction of the new ISO 9001:2015 standard.

## ICI 2015 Technical Conference & Expo

The Investment Casting Institute's 62nd Annual Technical Conference and Expo will be held 18-21 October 2015 at Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center Illinois USA.

Blayson are pleased to say, they will participate in both the Technical Conference and Expo. Phil Hancock, Technical Manager, will present a paper titled "Innovative Test Methods for Wax"

The paper emphasises that wax is an important component of the investment casting process and it is critical that the industry has an understanding of the technology of the material. The main theme of the paper is the recent development of innovative test methods for wax. The paper explains how with innovative thought and close supplier and customer partnerships significant opportunities exist for designing tests and wax products that enhance wax pattern production and therefore productivity.

In addition to the paper, the company are sharing stand 107 with their North American sales representatives Eagle Engineered Solutions. We look forward to receiving visitors to stand 107 and discussing our latest products and technology.



## Thank You Richard

Richard Hirst, Sales & Marketing Manager of The Blayson Group Ltd, retired from the company on 30 June 2015 after 15 years service.



Richard was responsible for sales and marketing across the Group and developed excellent relationships with customers worldwide. His extensive marketing experience and expertise proved invaluable for Blayson over the years and helped to develop a

professional approach to marketing the company and its products.

Both Blayson and the investment casting industry are indebted to Richard for the part he has played as an author of the many presentations that Blayson has made to the industry. For over 20 years these papers have been a focal point for market data within the industry and have relied heavily on Richard's contribution. A library of these papers is shared with the industry and they are available on the Blayson website.

Ron Williams, Managing Director of The Blayson Group Ltd, thanked Richard for his valuable service to the company and wished him a very happy retirement.

## Thank You Sandra

Sandra Andrews, Credit Controller with Blayson Olefines Ltd Cambridge Office, retired at the end of August 2015 after 8 years service with the company.

Sometimes credit control can prove to be a difficult task, but it's essential that any company carries this out in a diligent and efficient way. Sandra had the necessary qualities for this role and ensured that the process of credit control operated in the best possible way.



The Directors of Blayson Olefines Ltd wish Sandra all the very best for a happy retirement.

## Saul Graveling

We are pleased to announce the promotion within the company of Saul Graveling to the position of Operations Coordinator. Saul has been with Blayson for 14 years and has successfully completed Lean Sigma Green Belt training and completed Level 3 NVQ. Prior to his promotion his role was Injection Room Supervisor.

Saul will be directly responsible to Gavin Starr, Operations Manager. We wish him well in his new position and feel confident that he will be successful. This promotion demonstrates the company's commitment to training and to promoting staff from within wherever possible.



## J r mie Leguere

Blayson have a policy of allocating work placement positions for students from all levels of education. J r mie has just successfully completed a 3 month training placement at The Blayson Technical Centre Cambridge and this forms part of his overall curriculum and training as an apprentice at Precicast France.

The research work carried out during this placement will be of benefit to both Blayson and to J r mie in his understanding of wax materials and their behaviour in the investment casting process.



## Site Expansion

Blayson recently acquired 2 new units adjacent to its Cambridge wax production facility for the purpose of handling raw materials and finished goods and to allow increased production capacity.

It is anticipated that renovation works will be completed by the end of 2015, giving the company valuable added space and efficiencies in its quest to provide an ever improving service to customers.

On final completion, details will appear on the Blayson website and of course visitors are always welcome to the site.

## Future Events

**CMF Annual Awards and Dinner**  
19 November 2015  
Meriden, Warwickshire, UK

**Blayson Japan 30 Year Anniversary**  
March 2016

**14th World Conference on Investment Casting**  
17 - 20 April 2016  
Paris, France

**ICI 63rd Annual Technical Conference and Expo**  
15 - 18 October 2016  
Columbus, Ohio, USA