



Sirius Secures Leading Contaminated Land Expert

Sirius Engineering Group has appointed top land remediation expert Professor Phil Morgan.

Professor Morgan – a leading technical authority in contaminated soil and groundwater investigation, risk assessment and remediation – has joined Sirius and is based at the company's Runcorn office.

More than 20 years experience in consultancy and in the oil and chemistry industry has seen him working on large-scale projects across the globe, including China, Malaysia, South America, the UK and the USA. He's Visiting Professor of Environmental Biotechnology at the University of Sheffield, current Chairman of CL:AIRE Technology & Research Group and Chairman of the DTI funded Bioremediation LINK Programme Management Committee.

The high-profile appointment has been described as another success for Sirius, which has enjoyed substantial growth since launching in 2003 to provide a complete end-to-end land remediation solution, from pre-acquisition assessment and initial site investigations through testing, risk analysis, design, engineering and remediation works. Sirius Engineering Group Director Patrick Kane believes the move cements the company's position as one of the leading UK land remediation specialists.

"Professor Morgan works at the cutting-edge of risk-assessment and remediation and is a much sought-after industry figure with an acute understanding of UK remediation legislation and regulations," he said. "He offers Sirius clients unparalleled access to the latest thinking on breakthrough technologies and sensible, expert advice on how to apply these advanced solutions to real sites and real problems."

Phil, 47, said he was delighted with the appointment. "My passion is the practical application of new and improved site assessment and remediation technologies, helping to successfully regenerate brownfield sites that only a few years ago would have been impossible to decontaminate cost effectively" he said.

"The Sirius Group is an energetic, respected, forward-thinking company that embraces modern remediation methods. I'm proud to join Sirius, help accelerate their growth and offer advice on the latest technologies."

Growing in other ways...

The Sirius Group is expanding geographically and it's growing in other ways too! The Group has just acquired more than £500,000 of new equipment including a crusher, excavator and dump trucks.

Sirius expands with new Midlands office

This month Sirius opened its new Midlands office at Strelley Hall in Nottingham. Headed by local man, Russell Thompson, former Managing Director of Joynes Pike & Associates, the new base allows Sirius to work more closely with its Midlands-based clients.

Russell says:

"The Midlands is seeing an expansion in brownfield remediation and it's vital that we can be right there on the spot. At Strelley Hall we are close to our clients and can offer a wider range of services than ever before. The new offices are in a fantastic location, in a historic building in parkland just off Junction 26 of the M1 close to Nottingham city centre."

Contact the Midlands Office at Strelley Hall, Nottingham, NG8 6PE. Tel: 0115 9061 335

Mobile treatment

At the start of 2007 the Sirius Group was awarded an Environment Agency (EA) Mobile Treatment Licence (MTL). The licence allows Sirius to treat contaminated materials including common chemicals such as diesel, petrol and solvents on site.

Elliott Haywood, Technologies Manager at Sirius is one of three members of staff at Sirius who have been deemed competent to oversee treatment by the Environment Agency. Elliott explains: "The MTL means that we can speed up the remediation of complex sites with no compromise on safety or detrimental impact to the environment. We are licensed to use a number of remedial techniques including air sparging, bioremediation, chemical treatments and soil vapour extraction."

Speeding up remediation is only one plus point of the scheme. "The licence allows Sirius to undertake remedial activities on more than one site at a time," says Elliot. "As the holder of an MTL, Sirius corresponds with a nominated EA account manager who will consult with EA staff in the Area office where the MTL is to operate, this makes the whole remediation process far more efficient and effective."

For more information on how Sirius' can help speed up the remediation process contact: Elliott Haywood on 0113 264 9960.



Mobile oil/water separator plant with final filtration to treat groundwater contaminated with hydrocarbons at a site in Aberdeen.



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