



**Hambleside Danelaw**  
Building Products

**Hambleside Danelaw Ltd**  
**Press release**  
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**Stormforce 225 Roof Valley Trough range lands Hambleside Danelaw its third Green Apple environment award**

David Bellamy, the well-known conservationist, will be presenting one of the country's leading environmental awards today to Hambleside Danelaw Ltd, manufacturer of rooflights and other roofing products.

The Green Apple Award recognises the introduction of new manufacturing processes for the company's Stormforce 225 Roof Valley Trough range which have reduced waste and replaced virgin raw materials with materials generated from recycled products.

The range of Stormforce 225 valley troughs for inclined valleys on slate and the roofs has been designed to accommodate the maximum design rainfall rate used in the UK, with different widths of profile to suit large and small roof areas across a wide range of roof pitches.

Made from glass reinforced polyester (GRP), a proven and successful choice of material ensures that Stormforce 225 and all other Hambleside Danelaw GRP flashings benefit from a durable construction and a low coefficient of expansion. Lightweight and simple to install, they are suitable for water reclamation systems and offer a cost effective alternative to other materials.

With a life expectancy in excess of 45 years, Hambleside Danelaw is now able to recycle the valleys at the end of their service life.

Chris Dalgarno, Hambleside's Roofing and Ventilation Sales Director, said today: "This is Hambleside Danelaw's third Green Apple award, which testifies to the Group's ongoing commitment to the environment as reflected in the performance of its products and the manufacturing processes involved in making them."

This year the Group has received the Queen's Award for Enterprise: Innovation for the environmental benefits provided by the Insulator rooflight. It also achieved recognition under BS 14001 and a Business Commitment to the Environment award for its environmental management systems.

As part of the debate on tackling climate change, the Group has been calling for tax incentives to encourage the construction of energy-efficient buildings and has recently met with the Treasury to present its case.

### **Hambleside Danelaw supports British triathlon**

The Stormforce 225 branding can be found on the kit of the Lurve Monkey Triathlon Team which Hambleside Danelaw has been sponsoring this season at British triathlon events.

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### **Notes to editors**

#### **1. About the Green Apple Award**

Today's ceremony for the Green Apple Awards for Environmental Best Practice takes place at the Tower of London and is organised by The Green Organisation ([www.thegreenorganisation.info](http://www.thegreenorganisation.info)), an independent environment group dedicated to promoting the positive side of environmental endeavour. Hambleside Danelaw won its third award in the Commerce & Industry category. The award recognises that the introduction of new manufacturing processes for the company's Stormforce 225 Roof Valley Trough range at Hambleside's factory in Inverness has removed 40 tonnes plus per annum of virgin raw material from production requirements. In addition, new adhesive technology has been introduced replacing the traditional material, which contained isocyanates, for one which is safer during the manufacturing application.

#### **2. About Stormforce 225**

The Stormforce 225 range of high performance GRP Valley Troughs is the UK market leader for GRP flashings. Selection of the appropriate product and profile for its application has been made simple by referring to criteria taken from BS 5534 that covers the roof area, maximum length of the valley, minimum overlap and the rafter pitch. More information on the range is available at: [www.hambleside-danelaw.co.uk](http://www.hambleside-danelaw.co.uk).

#### **3. About Hambleside Danelaw Ltd**

Hambleside Danelaw Ltd ([www.hambleside-danelaw.co.uk](http://www.hambleside-danelaw.co.uk)) manufactures Glass Reinforced Polyester (GRP) rooflights and other roofing and ventilation products in Daventry and Inverness. As part of the Hambleside Danelaw Group with headquarters in Waterlooville in Hampshire, its turnover is currently in excess of £10 million a year and it employs almost 90 people. The group was established in 1975 with its first factory at Inverness for manufacturing GRP products becoming operational in 1978. The factory has won three Green Apple Gold awards and a VIBES commendation for its efforts to reduce its environmental impact and has attained BS 14001:2004 in recognition of its environmental management systems. In 1992, the company began producing in Daventry non-GRP products primarily for roof and cavity wall ventilation. This year, the company has won a

Business Commitment to the Environment award, presented by David Cameron MP, as well as a Queen's Award for Enterprise: Innovation for its Insulator GRP thermally efficient rooflight. Hambleside Danelaw made two written submissions to Sir Nicholas Stern's review of the economics of climate change, setting out how tax incentives could encourage the building industry to construct more energy efficient buildings. Copies of these submissions can be downloaded from:

[www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/Independent\\_Reviews/stern\\_review\\_economics\\_climate\\_change/](http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/Independent_Reviews/stern_review_economics_climate_change/)