



Hambleside Danelaw
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Hambleside Danelaw Ltd
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More top business awards crown outstanding year for Hambleside Danelaw

Hambleside Danelaw Ltd, the roofing products manufacturer based on the Royal Oak industrial estate in Daventry, has picked up two more prestigious business awards, having won a Daventry Express Excellence Award in July.

The Group is the regional winner of the Microsoft Award for Innovation through Technology in the East Midlands for the Chamber Awards 2006. Judges were very impressed with Hambleside Danelaw's engineering environment and their innovative design and use of new materials in manufacturing a new rooflight that easily outperforms the legal requirements for energy efficiency.

Peter Mileham, President of the British Chambers of Commerce, said: "Technology now touches all businesses. It is often the difference between success and failure. Hambleside Danelaw Ltd has made its technology investment work. They have looked closely at how their businesses could be made better, not just more efficient, with technology."

Hambleside Danelaw has also won the top Business of the Year Award at the Northamptonshire Business Excellence Awards 2006 organised in association with Northamptonshire Chamber. The judges' citation states that the Group has been recognised for taking an environmentally-friendly approach to its operations and for its community involvement as well as its ongoing commitment to innovation, including developing a shelter unit for worldwide emergency relief situations.

The latest awards follow the Group winning the Queen's Award for Enterprise: Innovation and a national Business Commitment to the Environment Award earlier this year.

Robin Jeffery, Hambleside's vice-chairman, said: "These awards are a testament to the commitment shown by all of Hambleside Danelaw's staff towards innovation and environmental good practice. 2007 looks equally exciting for the Group when we will move to a new state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Daventry."

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Notes to Editors

1. About Hambleside Danelaw Ltd

Hambleside Danelaw Ltd (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/