

Seal of approval



(L-R) KMF's Gary Sutton and Lyndon Royall with BSI managing director David McLean

KMF (Precision Sheet Metal)'s Advanced Solutions business unit was recently presented with its AS 9100 certificate by BSI managing director David McLean at a ceremony held at the company's Newcastle under Lyme facility.

Adding this quality standard to its growing list of accreditations that include Silver SC21; ISO 9001, ISO

14001 and OHS 18001 will help the business develop new customer relationships in key industry sectors and build on existing markets in the electrical distribution, telecoms, and vending industries.

"In order to support our submission for AS 9100 we went back to basics and completely re-evaluated our operation procedures manual," says UK quality manager, Gary Sutton. "The key change was

to create a much more visual manual that had the effect of simplifying the existing processes that we had in place at KMF. In addition, we enhanced the manual with several new procedures that were a requirement of AS 9100."

On gaining the award KMF's managing director, Gareth Higgins said: "The entire team at KMF and in particular those in the Advanced Solutions facility should be proud of the hard work and effort that has gone into ensuring our success in gaining this quality standard. The development of Advanced Solutions is a major investment for the business, but the rewards, in terms of growing new business with customers from outside of our traditional industry sectors, are significant. To give new clients the confidence that we can deliver on our promises, accreditations such as AS 9100 are vitally important."

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