

Vulcan Refractories – Prepared for the Future



Firing department

Vulcan Refractories in Cheadle Staffordshire has been through significant changes in the last few years. Following the untimely death of our MD and owner Nick Zienkowitz in 2010 the company was purchased by Zampell Inc. a family owned refractory installation company based near to Boston in the USA with 500 employees.

With the support of Zampell the company site in Cheadle was completely revamped with additional buildings and new offices. The production unit was fully refurbished and reorganized to provide a state of the art production facility.

Vulcan Refractories core principals are Health and Safety, Quality and Innovation. In 2014 and 2015 Vulcan were awarded the ROSPA Gold award the UK's most prestigious Health and Safety award. In 2015 we were accredited to OHSAS 18001 the new standard for H&S management systems.

Our people are our greatest asset, we were awarded the Silver Investors in People award in both 2014 and 2015. Vulcan have been accredited to the ISO9001 quality management system for over 20 years and is working towards the new management system for the environment ISO14001.

Gary Dukes MD at Vulcan has been with the company for 20 years, he has guided the company through the many changes and will lead the European team as MD of Zampell's Europe operations. Liz Berks joined as Financial Controller in 2014, she came with experience in blue chip companies bringing a fresh and new approach to the company. Liz has now been appointed Financial Director where she will direct the group as it expands into new markets and opportunities in Europe and Scandinavia.

In 2015 a new sales team was appointed, Richard Gabbitas the new Sales Manager has worked throughout the refractory industry and brings a wealth of experience to the company. Stuart Handley has moved from a site based production role into UK sales. Stuart has been with Vulcan for over 20 years his product and application knowledge is a valuable source of expertise to our customers who can be confident that Vulcan can work with them to find solutions to their refractory needs.

Vulcan Refractories supply a wide range of markets from the Waste to energy and nuclear industry to tableware and advanced ceramics, Vulcan can offer an extensive range of refractory solutions. Alongside our refractory



Silicon nitride bonded silicon carbide tiles freshly installed in an incinerator in mainland Europe

products Vulcan also manufacture ceramic and infrared heaters, standard and bespoke heaters for numerous markets.

Zampell our parent company are expanding in the European market, in 2013 two Danish installation companies Refcon and Schmitt and Danielson were purchased and have been amalgamated to become Zampell AS. The recent appointment of George Platt to lead Zampell UK is a clear indication of the company's intentions in Europe.



2015 winning safety team