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NDT Inspection & Testing Now Has Five Level 3 Inspectors

With the recent certification of Colin Mortimer to Level III in casting and welds, NDT Inspection and Testing can now offer five employees with Level III certification in non-destructive testing. Colin, who is Northern operations manager, based at the company's Queensferry headquarters, follows closely on from Anita Andrews, also from Queensferry, who recently achieved Level III certification in radiography and Graham Phipps, of the company's Worcester site, who has also obtained the qualification in radiography.

Certification in NDT is offered by three main certifying bodies, the British PCN, the US ASNT and the US NAS standard, which relates specifically to aerospace. The PCN and the ASNT certifications can be according to industry sector and NDT method and, with all three certifying bodies, certification is offered in three levels. Level III personnel are adjudged to have the competence to develop and write specific inspection procedure and to sign off work carried out by personnel holding Level 1 and Level 2 certification.

NDT Inspection & Testing operate a philosophy of continuous investment in training and quality at all three of their UK sites and all production staff, excluding trainees, currently hold an NDT qualification at some level. At the Worcester site, Justin Deane has obtained NAS Level III in radiography and the Southern operations manager, Rod Phillis, is qualified to PCN Level III in welds and castings, NAS Level III in radiography and is also one of the few people in Europe qualified to Boeing Level III, as well as being Level III status with Airbus and BAE Systems. Moreover, the company's Sittingbourne site has recently become the company's third location to achieve Nadcap's coveted "Merit" status.

NDT Inspection & Testing is quality-led in all aspects of its operations. It is a centre of excellence for industrial radiography, both digital and wet film, advanced ultrasonic imaging and a wide range of inspection services using traditional and state-of-the-art solutions to address inspection problems. The company is also UKAS-approved to ISO EN 17025 and has quality approvals from a number of major aerospace companies as well as Boeing, including Airbus, Raytheon, Rolls Royce, BAE Systems and their prime contractors.



The above photograph showing Colin Mortimer and Anita Andrews with their Level III Certificates

