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Introduction

Greetings to you all. We're past quarter one already! We hope you're all staying safe and well in these difficult times. Welcome to the first AllTorque Newsletter of 2021 from us here in Bedford, UK. We have some exciting developments to share with you, including our recent office and plant relocations. We have managed to continue to serve our customers through the pandemic despite the very real issues of disruption created in the supply chain and the stresses and strains on people. We firmly believe in safety first and our robust "COVID-secure" system to help staff and visitors keep safe has proven successful throughout the pandemic.



Regarding BREXIT, we are working daily to reduce the initial disruption that has been caused due to the new requirements for paperwork at the border controls. We fully expect this to settle in the near term. We thank everyone for their dedication to help the transition go as smoothly as possible and to our customers for their patience.

Bibby Moves to Bedford



Bibby Turboflex has recently moved to a new manufacturing facility in Bedford, UK. The highly experienced Bibby engineering, internal sales and customer support teams have also moved to a new, modern satellite office in Liversedge, West Yorkshire, close to Bibby's previous Dewsbury location. Existing contacts and telephone numbers for these departments will remain unchanged.

Bibby, part of Altra Motion's CCB group, is recognized globally for advanced industrial couplings and torque limiting technologies. World-class Bibby Turboflex product lines include high performance Torsiflex and Turboflex disc couplings, grid, gear, and pin & bush couplings, plus a wide range of torque limiters and torque limiting modules.

Altra has made a significant investment in Bibby's move in terms of preparation, planning, training and logistics to the much larger and more flexible manufacturing facility. The Bedford plant can accommodate the full range of Bibby products, plus a wide range of clutches and brakes from allied Altra brands, including Wichita, Stieber, Stromag and Twiflex. "The transition to the new location has been well executed with minimal customer disruption," said Neil Wright, Altra VP and Director of the Heavy-Duty Brakes Group. "Bibby's new multi-axis combination CNC machines have been integrated into an extremely efficient lean manufacturing process, based around multi-disciplinary manufacturing cells that now provide the engineering capacity to match future production demands."



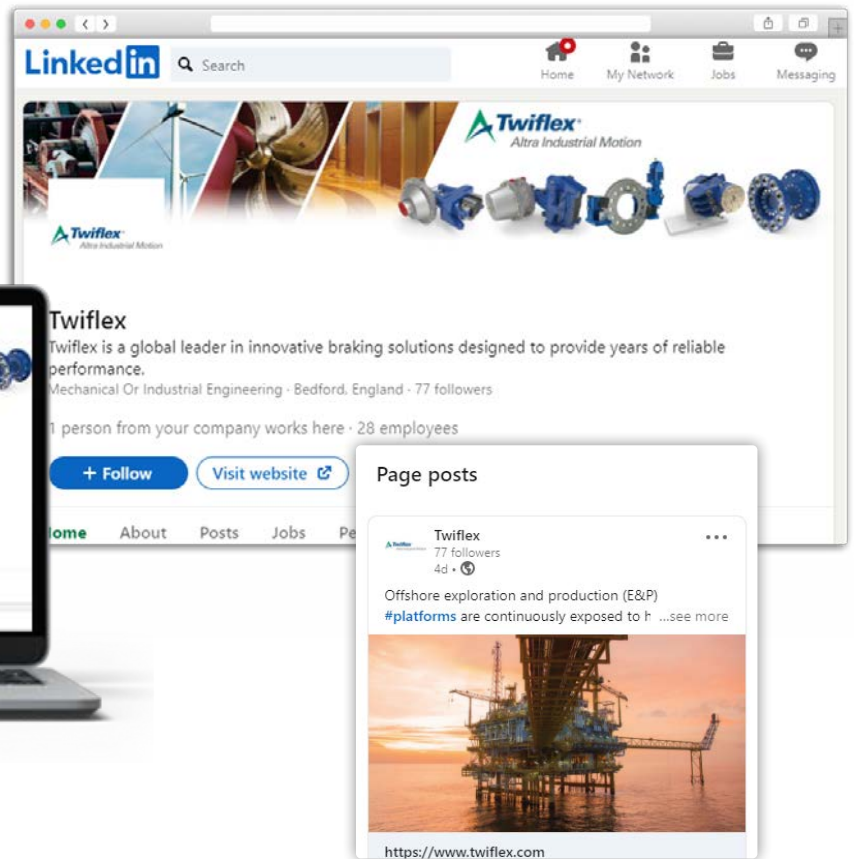
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Distributor Focus: SK Oilfield Equipment



We are pleased to announce that SK Oilfield Equipment (SKO) is our new distributor in India for the Oil & Gas market. “Initially, SKO will focus on Twiflex and Bibby products used on drilling rig draw works and top drive applications in India,” said Sudeep Murali, Altra India Manager. “They will work closely with end users, including Oil India, ONGC and other private oil rig operators.”



Since its start in 1970, SK Oilfield has won the trust of oilfield customers by providing reliable, timely and value-added products and services. With representatives in Mumbai, New Delhi, Dehra Dun (birthplace of ONGC), Vadodara (Gujarat) and Duliajan (Assam), SKO is an ideal partner for effective marketing, sales, and logistics support to overseas companies who wish to provide equipment, services, software and consulting to the Oil & Gas sector in India.

SKO's focus is on identifying India's technology needs and then sourcing and delivering cost-effective solutions while enhancing domestic Oil & Gas production. SKO has assisted in successfully executing contracts for the supply of process, pipeline, production, well intervention, drilling and completion equipment, services and software to E&P companies, drilling and EPC contractors.

Update: College/University Recruitment Program

Twiflex recently held its third annual Undergraduate Placement Assessment Day in February. After a review of applications, candidates enrolled in college undergraduate mechanical engineering programs are selected to attend a full day of on-site activities. The students are interviewed, given a tour of the facility and participate in a series of individual aptitude and psychometric assessments.



This year, based on their superior performance, three students were offered and accepted placements. Two students will work at the Bedford site in Production Engineering and Inspection, and one will work at the Liversedge location.

Callum MacDonald and Izaak Wright are two undergraduate students currently working with us from our 2020 recruitment day. Dominic Young was our undergraduate placement in 2019 and returned to work with us whilst continuing his studies.



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This year's summer shutdown when the Bedford site will be closed for maintenance is from Monday, August 2nd to Friday, August 6th.



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