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Wednesday 12th Sept 2012 – 2pm – 4pm

"CONFINED SPACE APPRECIATION"

Mark Tibbott

Operations Manager (Wales), Mines Rescue Service Ltd

Main Lecture Theatre, Ground Floor, School of Electronic Engineering, Dean Street, Bangor LL57 1UT

THE TALK

Aims to cover the knowledge, matters of evident and major concern, the practical skills needed to identify confined spaces and provide advice on application of suitable control measures before persons enter / exit confined spaces.

Objectives of the talk are to:

- Interpret and appreciate the scope of the Confined Spaces Regulations 1997, including the term "specified risk", to correctly identify confined spaces as defined.
- Inspect, investigate work arrangements and review risk assessments relevant to confined space entry, including permits to work, safe systems of work and emergency arrangements for confined spaces associated within the working environment.
- Identify the advantages / limitations and uses of equipment associated with confined spaces, particularly access equipment, emergency equipment, BA and ventilation equipment.
- Outline hazards and factors associated with confined spaces which may render the atmosphere hostile to those working

 Explain relevance of National Occupational Standards for confined spaces as an advisory tool training / identification of confined spaces.

THE SPEAKER

Mark Tibbott is the Operations Manager for the Mines Rescue Service and is responsible for Wales and the South West of England.

Mark has been in the Mining Industry for 30 years, his career started working at the Coal Face at Merthyr Vale Colliery, Joining Mines Rescue in 1983 and gaining his Rescue Officers qualification through the Institute of Mining Engineers, further studies gained him a Post Graduate in Management through Derby University and NEBOSH qualifications.

Mark has been involved in various emergency's from underground explosions, fires, falls of ground and the latest, being in charge of the Gleision Disaster last year.

Further information:

http://www.hse.gov.uk/confinedspace/index.htm www.minesrescue.com

A confined space is a place which is substantially enclosed (though not always entirely), and where serious injury can occur from hazardous substances or conditions within the space or nearby (e.g. lack of oxygen).





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<u>VENUE</u>

The Main Lecture Theatre is on the ground floor of Bangor University's School of Electronic Engineering Building *(this building may also be referred to as 'Informatics'),* which is located on Dean Street in Bangor LL57 1UT. The Lecture room is accessible via the main entrance and then follow the directional signs on display.

The University is signposted from the A5/55 Expressway. A location map for the School of Electronic Engineering building can be found at: <u>http://www.bangor.ac.uk/tour/LocationMap.pdf</u> position 74.

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