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SCA helps develop certification for smoke control systems installers

A new certification scheme developed by the Smoke Control Association (SCA), in partnership with IFC Certification, is expected to raise standards across the industry.

The IFC SDI 19 Certification scheme is now open to contractors involved in the installation of smoke control systems and SCA members who install smoke control systems will now be required to apply for and receive accreditation as a condition of membership.

Developed to ensure a suitable level of competency in relation to fire strategy verification, system design and the installation of smoke control systems, the scheme also covers the contractor's ability to offer and provide an appropriate level of service

and maintenance to the client following installation and commissioning, commensurate with the type, size and use of the building.

Contractors certified under the scheme will be experienced in fire strategy verification, system design, installation and commissioning of smoke control systems in accordance with the following standards and guidance documents:

- ▶ Approved Document B
- ▶ Approved Document B NI (Northern Ireland)
- ▶ Technical Handbook (Scotland)
- ▶ BS9999
- ▶ BS9991
- ▶ BS7346 Parts 4, 5, 7 and 8
- ▶ BS 8519

- ▶ BS8524
- ▶ EN 12101 Part 6
- ▶ Technical Reports 12101-4 & 5
- ▶ SCA Guidance Documents

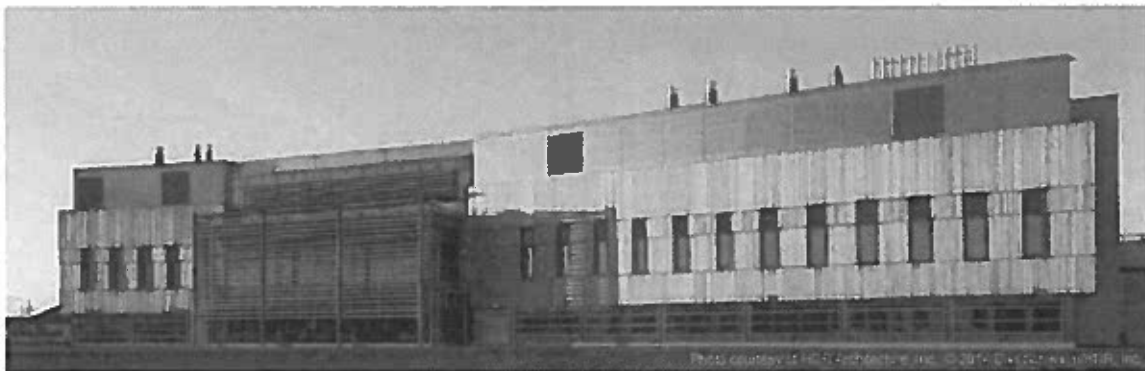
David Mowatt, Chairman of the SCA, said: "This certification scheme will ensure quality and competency, affording the end user confidence that their safety critical system is fit for purpose. Certified contractors will have clearly demonstrated that their trained staff consistently adhere to industry best practice and fully appreciate the importance of correct installation, inspection and maintenance."

Further information, scheme documentation and application forms are available by emailing info@ifccertification.com

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SPIE wins £2m contract with The Pirbright Institute



SPIE has been awarded a contract with The Pirbright Institute, a global centre of excellence in research and surveillance of virus diseases of farm animals and viruses that spread from animals to humans.

The work, valued at around £2m, entails the design, installation and commissioning of the internal fit out of a new Specific Pathogen Free (SPF) laboratory and will be completed over seven months.

and heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems.

The new SPF facility includes incubation, hatchery and rearing rooms as well as a fumigation chamber for the decontamination of consumables and equipment entering the SPF area. Entrance into the suite will be via a dedicated interlocked change area with a 'shower in' feature appertaining to an SPF environment.

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▶ The Pirbright Institute has awarded a £2m fit out contract to Spie

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