

NEWS UPDATE

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Riley announces sale and decommissioning of large anodising plant from Fokker Aerostructures, Netherlands.

This aerospace quality anodising facility was originally installed in 2000 for a price in excess of 10 million euros. It is available to purchase due to the substantial investment in company's global product finishing facilities.

For full details, see page 2.



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT



From global manufacturer of construction machinery, due to company restructuring.

Large, fully automatic Wurster pre-treatment and powder coating plant located near Leipzig, Germany.

For full details, see page 3.

Riley to exhibit at Surface Finishing Mexico, Centro de Congresos, Querétaro, Mexico. Feb 22 – 24, 2016.

Following our successful participation in Surface Technology Hannover and SUR/FIN USA in 2015, we are pleased to announce our presence at this important exhibition in Mexico, demonstrating our commitment to this exciting and growing market. *Full details:* www.amas.org



Riley announces agreement with new USA trading partner.

Riley Surface World has announced that Baker Technology Associates will become the principle trading partner for RSW's used equipment in North America. Michael Riley, managing director of RSW and Neil Baker, President of BTA reached agreement following the SURFIN 2015 exhibition in Chicago.

Michael Riley commented:

We are thrilled to have a North American partner with more than 40 years of experience in the surface finishing industry. BTA has a detailed understanding of European manufactured metal finishing equipment and can actively deal with North American clients from within their shores and time zones."

For more information about Baker Technology Associates, visit: www.usedplatingequipment.com



Our new website has a fresh, clean new design and has been restructured to reflect the growing importance of our various sales channels. This includes direct from site clearances, general stock, special offers, auctions, etc.

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Over 1000 machines in stock and online!

Direct From Site Clearance

Riley Surface World announces sale and decommissioning of large anodising plant from Fokker Aerostructures, Netherlands.





Stock No: FOK, FOK1, FOK2



Anodising plant overview

Riley Surface World has been appointed by Fokker Aerostructures to handle the sale and de-commissioning of German-built Delta Industrietechnick GmbH anodising, pre-treatment and non-destructive testing lines from its Rotterdam manufacturing facility. The disposal is due to the impending upgrade to a larger anodising facility.

The Fokker name has been synonymous with aircraft manufacturing for over 100 years, with operations in the Netherlands, Romania, USA and Mexico. The Netherlands division specialises in the design and production of lightweight structures, modules and landing gear.



Fume scrubber

NDT line overviews

The anodising plant is a modern, multi-stage, multi-process production line with a work envelope of 6 x 1.2 x 2.7 metres. It is suitable for medium to large sized aerospace, automotive, architectural or general engineering components, such as aluminium extrusions.

The line has several in-line pre-treatment stages, including a dye penetrant inspection system. The support equipment to the line includes 0-55~V/0-6000A DC rectifiers, drying ovens and chemical resistant PVC/GRP fume scrubbing plants.

The sophisticated non-destructive testing (NDT) facility encompasses stages for pre-treatments, surface conditioning and dye-penetrant inspection in compliance with all international aerospace safety directives.

The entire plant has the versatility to be adapted to other electrolytic surface finishing processes, such as electroplating and e-coating. The line's advanced design lends itself to reconfiguration for all of the latest REACH regulations.

For instance, future operators of the production line will have the ability to remove the potentially harmful Chrome 6 and replace it with a safer, organic tartaric anodising alternative.

The plant was manufactured by Delta on behalf of Fokker in 2000 at a price in excess of 10 million euros. It is now available at a fraction of its original value for a limited period.



Special announcement

From global manufacturer of construction machinery, due to company restructuring.

Large, fully automatic Wurster pre-treatment and powder coating plant located near Leipzig, Germany.









This is a large, purpose-built powder coating and pre-treatment facility for the processing of world-class components as used in construction plant and machinery.

It was designed and assembled by Caldan Conveyor AS to the most exacting German engineering standards and has been maintained in immaculate condition.

It has now become available due to the company's restructuring of its global manufacturing operations.

Riley Surface World is marketing the equipment in conjunction with a professional machine relocation organisation. They will quote any prospective buyer for disconnection, loading, moving and recommissioning worldwide.

Product envelope: 1.1m wide x 1.5m height x 2.5m long

Max load: 300/250Kgs Cycle time: 6 minutes Year of manufacture: 2008 Located near Leipzig, Germany



Contents of large products finishing facility formerly used for high volume electroplating on ABS plastics and metals. Location: BKM Europe GmbH, Karlsruhe, Germany

Items include:

- 3 x copper/nickel/chrome plating lines to suit various base metals
- 2 x plating on plastics lines
- Individual plating stations with R & D facilities
- Multi-stage cleaning and jig stripping lines
- Large selection of DC rectifiers
- Effluent treatment plants
- Demineralised water treatment plants
- Reverse Osmosis water treatment plant
- Filter presses
- Filter pumps
- **Ovens**
- Shot blast cabinets
- Laboratory equipment
- Chemical storage tanks
- Over 100 items in total



Copper/nickel/chrome plating plant to suit various base metals

- 40 Stations, work area: 1500 x 450 x 1200mm deep
- 4 Transporters
- 12 Flight bars
- Ultrasonic cleaning station
- Load/unload stations
- Siemens control system



ABS Plating on plastics line

- 60 70 stations in total configured in 3 Lanes
- 7 Transporters Overhead Slung
- Nickel Stations Plating and control panels
 - 3 x matt
- 2 x bright1 x half bright 1 x special bright
- 5 Copper Stations
- 2 x chrome stations inc 3 x cross transfer
- 300 yellow jig transporter trollies and 120 jigs



10m3 fully automated dewatering sludge filter press Installation

- Netzsch 31 plate 800mm² filter press
- Fully automated pumping, opening and washdown
- 0,000 kg skip presenter
- Approx 800 litres dry cake per cycle



Effluent water treatment plant

- Approx duty 2002 + 3 litres per day
- Polypropolene vessels, capacities: 24,000 litres - 10,000 litres - 4000 litres
- Large number of mixing pumps
- PLC control panels



Electrolytic cleaning/jig stripping line

- 6 stations
- 4 x triple flight bars
- 2 x electrolytic stations
- 1 transporter

Direct From Site Clearances

Selection of heavy duty nickel plating plant and machinery. Available due to the company outsourcing its metal finishing operation.

Location: Pforzheim, near Stuttgart, Germany

Formerly used by Gebr. Maissenbacher, a leading manufacturer of premium quality hinges, clasps, pushers, display items and fastening machines.

The equipment comprises a 76 cm (30") barrel nickel plating line with 14 stations and transporter, effluent treatment plant with rinse water recycling and ancillary equipment including centrifugal dryers.

Work Envelope (WxDxH mm): 750mm x 350AF Barrels

Process Stages: 15 stage plant

Location: Germany

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 14000 x 2200 x 2800

Normal Retail Price: £50,000.00 + VAT Site Clearance Price: £25,000.00 + VAT



Stock no. MAISS1: Centrifugal dryers



Stock no. MAISS2: Effluent treatment plant



Stock no. MAISS3: Schlotter 30" Barrel Plating Line

Superb quality Kuka robotic polishing and burnishing cell. Surplus to requirements at a manufacturing site in Suffolk, UK.

Kuka model KR150 2E TJ. Originally manufactured in 2000 and factory refurbished by Kuka in 2011.

The robot was purchased in 2012 as part of work cell to burnish the threads on large diameter pipe connectors. It was used intermittently during 2013 and 2014, with no more than 60 hours operating time.

The robot is still installed and fully functional, complete with KR2 control unit, pendant and cabling.

MP Eastern anodise and electroplate components for the oil & gas, aerospace & defence, automotive & motorsport, packaging machinery and general engineering industries.

Stock no. MPE001

Year of Manufacture: 2011

Other Info: Heavy Payload Robotics

Location: Suffolk, UK

Normal Retail Price: £40.000.00 + VAT

Site Clearance Price: £20,000.00 + VAT

See video





Direct From Site Clearances

Excellent quality powder coating and pre-treatment equipment formally used by LPA Haswell Engineers Ltd. Location: Essex, UK

Used for LED based lighting and electronic systems for the rail, aerospace, defence, aircraft support, marine, and industrial markets.

Ercon Finishing Systems complete powder coating line including Nordson powder spray equipment, multiple gun reciprocators, powder recovery cyclones, dust extraction filter, in-line spray booth, overhead conveyor track, CO² fire suppression system and return curing oven, together with associated control equipment.

The pre-treatment cleaning and phosphate line includes: stainless steel process tanks, well type drying oven, DI rinse water plant, overhead monorail transporter, solution filtration, plant heating and fume extraction.

May be bought as a going concern to include building, subject to negotiation with the landlord.



Stock no. BRT003

Ercon Systems/Nordson powder coating plant.

Model: 3mtr Econocoat Engineered Powder Spray System YOM: 2007

Work Envelope: 700 x 1400 mm drop

Process Stages: Powder paint application and oven curing

Other Info: As NEW condition

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 6000 x 23300 x 4000

Normal Retail Price: £100,000.00 + VAT **Site Clearance Price: £50,000.00 + VAT**



Internal view of gas fired return oven

Large quantity of miscellaneous surface finishing equipment from the ceramics Industry. Available due to the closure of a large ceramics manufacturing facility in the South West of England. Location: Devon, UK.

The company specialised in the production of technical ceramics components for electronics and general engineering.

Includes Walther Trowal barrelling equipment, Unicell dust extractors, Netzsch filter presses and a large variety of dryers, compressors and other process equipment.



See video



Walther Trowal CM110 Circlon Vibratory Bowl.



GFT V71-0 Stainless Steel Centrifugal Spin Drver



Donaldson Torit (DCE) Unicell C50HK11 Dust Extraction Unit



Walther Trowal Model A150 Octagonal Rumbling Barrel



Netzsch - Heinrich Zeidler 35 Plate Hydraulic Filter Press.



Twin Compartment Horizontal Rotary Tumbler Barrel

Direct From Site Clearances

Rosler continuous flow vibratory system. From Clamason Industries, West Midlands, UK.

A superb quality, sought after, Rosler R425/4600 DA linear vibratory continuous flow installation that has become surplus to requirements at a manufacturer of precision pressings.

The system Is in good working order and is in daily use. It was originally manufactured in 2000 and serviced by Rosler in 2015. The trough was relined by Marbil in 2013.



Rosler linear machine overview



Media conveyor system



Stock no. CLA001

Manufacturer: Rosler Model: R425/4600 DA

YOM: 2000

Serial: 23771/00 - 23774/00

Other Info: Completely re-lined by Marbil in 2013

Location: West Midlands, UK

Type: Linear continuous vibratory finishing

Weight (kgs): 8860

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 7500 x 5000 x 5000

Normal Retail Price: £75,000.00 + VAT
Site Clearance Price: £49,500.00 + VAT

Unused, military standard Caltherm vacuum oven to be used in the production of soft body armour for military and law enforcement officers. Location: Gloucester, UK.





Caltherm oven internal view



Digital control panel

Stock no. ARM001

Manufacturer: Caltherm

Model: Bespoke design with vacuum

Year of Manufacture: 2012 Internal Size (WxDxH mm): 1830mm x 3000mm x 2000 External Size (WxDxH mm): 2810mm x 5650mm x 2930

Max Temp: 200°C

Other Info: Electric-18 x 3.6 kW elements (90A)

Normal Retail Price: £75,000.00 + VAT

Site Clearance Price: £42,000.00 + VAT



Featured Machines

Our featured machines have been selected from over 1000 items of used surface finishing plant & machinery from our central UK warehouse. They represent some of the most recent and best quality machines that we have available.

Stock No: OU1515 TAS Series 3, 750 litre environmental chamber

Typical applications include metallurgical conditioning, extreme durability testing, automotive temperature and humidity cycling, corrosion testing and electronic PCB burn in.

Manufacturer: Temperature Applied Sciences (TAS) Model: HTCL 750 YOM: 2007

Serial: 24701007A

Internal Size (WxDxH mm): 750 x 750 x 750

Max Temp: -10°C to +180°C Other Info: As NEW condition

Weight (kgs): 530

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 1050 x 1250 x 1950

Refurbished price: £9,750.00 + VAT



A medium-capacity aircooled chiller for the cooling of industrial process waters, residential buildings. businesses and healthcare facilities.

Model: LD 300V Serial: 01827772/0001

YOM: 2011

Ave. cooling capacity: 75.73 kW @ 7°C CWLT in a 35°C

ambient

Ave. Water Flow Rate: 17.5 m3 /hr Average requirement Other Info: Modern chiller with R410A refrigerant

Weight (kgs): 715

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 1995 x 1055 x 1743

Refurbished price: £7,950.00 + VAT

Stock No: DU1142 Turbex AC20 basket wash machine For the aqueous

cleaning of medium and large components, when a single detergent spray wash stage process is sufficient for the cleanliness required.

Manufacturer: Turbex Model: AC-2.0 LD YOM: 2000 Serial: 7005500

Work Envelope (WxDxH mm): 1600 x 1600 x 1000

Process Stages: Single stage wash Other Info: Heavy duty basket wash

Weight (kgs): 900

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 2800 x 2300 x 3100

Refurbished price: £17,250.00 + VAT

Stock No: DU1153 C C Hydrosonics S1000 solvent degreaser

The Solvac S1000 Mono-Solvent system manufactured by CC Hydrosonics has three process stages comprising of ultrasonic cleaning with or without basket rotation, followed by vapour phase rinsing and freeboard drying.

Manufacturer: C C Hydrosonics Model: Solvac S1000 Serial: S29022008 Work Envelope (WxDxH mm):

Other Info: 3 Phase 415v / 50Hz

Refurbished price: £22,500.00 + VAT Run & checked price: £14,750.00 + VAT



350 x 460 x 350

Tilghman (Wheelabrator) RT 2000 rotary table shot blast machine

Whether you are cleaning welded structures and fabrications, cleaning and deflashing castings, or shot peening dynamically stressed components the RT 2000 offers total flexibility.

Manufacturer: Tilghman (Wheelabrator) Model: RT 2000

Serial: 859-3569 Work Envelope: Ø2000 x 2000 mm

Work Handling Method: Manual load auto blast

Weight (kgs): 9000

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 4200 x 3700 x 5600

Refurbished price: £45,000.00 + VAT



MecWash Midi 400 aqueous cleaning system with fitted Aquasave 10 water recycling unit.

The ultimate flexible aqueous component cleaning & degreasing systems. Combines ultrasonics with high flow washing, rinsing, dedicated jetting and vacuum drying.

Manufacturer: MecWash Model: MIDI 400

YOM: 2003 Serial: M333

Work Envelope (WxDxH mm); 470 x 620 x 400 Process Stages: 3 stage wash, rinse and dry Other Info: Ex Aerospace quality machine

Weight (kgs): 3500

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 2750 x 1650 x 2250

Refurbished price: £29,500.00 + VAT











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Featured Machines

Stock No: OU1492J Chatburn Chantry FSM F9342 high temperature oven.

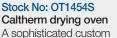
This type of high temperature oven is used in many heat treatments applications, Including alloy annealing, stress relieving, solution treatments and tempering.

Manufacturer: Chatburn Model: F9342 YOM: 1997

Internal Size (WxDxH mm): 2000 x 2900 x 1000 Max Temp: 205 to 625°C, max 760°C Other Info: High 3000 kg maximum mass load Weight (kgs): 10,000

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 3600 x 6100 x 4654

Refurbished price: £19,500.00 + VAT Run & checked price: £16,088.00 + VAT



oven with horizontal recirculating hot air. For use up to 300°C in production.

Manufacturer: Caltherm Model: J6559 YOM: 2007 Serial: J6559 E02.07 Internal Size (WxDxH mm): 1100 x 860 x 3000 Max Temp: 300°C Other Info: As NEW condition **External Dimensions**

(WxDxH mm): 2650 x 1600 x 4000

Refurbished price: £17,500.00 + VAT



Stock No: TT115SA

SAS electroplating transporters. Stein Atkinson Stordy

(SAS) manual/semiautomated surface treatments process line transporters with supporting steel work.

Manufacturer: SAS Model: Plating transporters

Work Envelope: 1300 wide x 1200 clearance

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 30,000 x 2300 x 3600

Refurbished price: £9,950.00 + VAT

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Stock No: EU1354

Nederman MJB 190 18-11 XL dust extractor

A reverse jet cleaned tubular bag filter designed for continuous operation in process general dust and fume extraction applications with free flowing dusts.

Manufacturer: Nederman Model: MJB 190 18-11 XL YOM: 2012

Approx Duty CFM / M³/Hr: 15000 (max 17250) // 25500 Filter Area ft2 / m2: 2156 // 210

Other Info: Formally of Lotus Caterham F1 team

Weight (kgs): 4100



Stock No: SU695

Vacublast (Wheelabrator) Special Vector 325P AXT robotic blasting machine

Designed for complex and intricate blasting operations and has a fully computerised control with 3 axis robotic movement built to the highest of aerospace specifications.

Manufacturer: Vacublast (Wheelabrator)

Model: Special Vector 325P AXT Etching Machine

YOM: 2003 Serial: 300604

Work Envelope (WxDxH mm): 4400 x 3580 x 3500

Work Handling Method: Automatic contour profiling blast unit Other Info: NUM CNC Robotic Work Processing

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 10000 x 8500 x 6000

Refurbished price: £97,500.00 + VAT Run & checked price: £75,000.00 + VAT

Stock No: VS1007 Bonetti open ended barrelling machine

A mixture of parts, media and compounds are placed in an eight-sided barrel and rotated at a predetermined speed for the purpose of improving the surface finish.

Manufacturer: Bonetti Model: BTV 330 Capacity: 330 ltr Type: Open Ended Tulip Barrel Rumbler Other Info: Large capacity

barrelling unit Weight (kgs): 500

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 1260 x 1360 x 1870

Refurbished price: £7,250.00 + VAT Run & checked price: £6,163.00 + VAT

For full details on all our featured machines, enter the stock number into the search box in the top right corner of our home page.











Special offers

Our website now features over 60 special offers with discounts of up to 70% on selected machines. You can now pay for these machines online with your credit card securely using the power of Sage Pay. All special offer prices are 'sold as seen'. These offers are only available until December 8, 2015.

Stock No: MP761 Applied Ionics Reverse Osmosis Plant

Manufacturer: Applied Ionics Model: XL 500 Process Stages: Multi Refurbished price: £9,750.00 + VAT



Special offer price: £3,900.00 + VAT

Stock No: DS1030S

Turbex Cascade AC-T400-2-TB aqueous cleaning system Manufacturer: Turbex

Model: Cascade Aqua Clean AC-T400-2-TB YOM: 2001 Serial: 16297-01

Work Envelope: 430 x 4400 x 470 mm

Process Stages: 3 Weight (kgs): 1750kgs

External Dimensions: 2200 x 4600 x 3100 Refurbished price: £45,000.00 + VAT Special offer price: £27,500.00 + VAT

Stock No: DT1076S

Teiio Viverk Model VKT -R23 Multi stage cleaning cell

Manufacturer: Teijo Model: VKT - R23 YOM: 1994



Work Envelope: 2 off 600 x 400 x 300 mm baskets Process Stages: 5 Stage wash rinse treatments and dry External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 7000 x 5000 x 2800 mm

Refurbished price: £49,500.00 + VAT Special offer price: £22,000.00 + VAT

Stock No: DT1077

Kerry (Guyson International) Microsolve 525 M Ultrasonic Cleaning System

Manufacturer: Teijo Model: VKT - R23 YOM: 1994 Serial: E3-7750



Work Envelope: 2 off 600 x 400 x 300 mm baskets Process Stages: 5 Stage wash rinse treatments and dry External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 7000 x 5000 x 2800 mm

Refurbished price: £19,750.00 + VAT Special offer price: £7,900.00 + VAT

Stock No: PU1050

Ellesco Grindingmaster Setmatic 1250 Wide Belt Grinding Machine

Manufacturer: Ellesco Model: MCSB/2B-1250 Serial: KK 91008 R.P.M: 1500

Other Info: Single head belt only machine External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 2700 x 1850 x 2000

Refurbished price: £11,500.00 + VAT Special offer price: £6,900.00 + VAT

Stock No: PT1015

RJH Morrisflex Centreless Polisher

Manufacturer: Morrisflex Model: Centreless R.P.M: 1425 Hp/Kw: 15 // 11 Weight (kgs): 1050

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm):

1750 x 960 x 2100

Refurbished price: £8,750.00 + VAT Special offer price: £3,500.00 + VAT

Stock No: VQ904

Sintobrator Rollflow EVF 06R 030 Centrifugal Finishing

Manufacturer: Sintobrator Model: Rollflow EVF 06R 030 YOM: 1991

Capacity: 110 ltrs

Type: High energy centrifugal finisher Refurbished price: £14,500.00 + VAT

Special offer price: £5,800.00 + VAT

Stock No: VS998

Bonetti Open Ended Tulip Barrel Rumbler

Manufacturer: Bonetti

Model: BTV 330 Capacity: 330 ltr

Other Info: Large capacity barrelling unit Weight (kgs): 500

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 1260 x 1360 x 1870

Refurbished price: £7,250.00 + VAT Special offer price: £2,900.00 + VAT

Stock No: JR0003B

JLS Natural Gas Fired Curing Oven

Manufacturer: JLS (Redditch) Ltd Model: Roller Box Öven YOM: 1999

Serial: 99/4629N Internal Size (WxDxH mm):

1700 x 3400 x 2000 Max Temp: 250°C Weight (kgs): 6000

Other Info: High performance recirculation oven

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 2700 x 3950 x 5250 1260 x 1360 x 1870

Refurbished price: £9,850.00 + VAT Special offer price: £5,910.00 + VAT

Stock No: CR449

York Millennium Air Cooled Chiller

Manufacturer: York

Model: YCAJ-77X T9 515 0PA YOM: 1994

Serial: 8878

Ave. cooling capacity: 538 kW Ave. Water Flow Rate: 15-45 l/s

External Dimensions (WxDxH mm): 2960 x 2315 x 2480 Refurbished price: £13,500.00 + VAT

Special offer price: £8,100.00 + VAT







Online Auctions from the Riley Surface World Bidding Channel

Here is a small selection of items that are available for auction through our exclusive bidding channel. See individual lots for closing dates.



Lot 233
A variety of pumps and filter spares



Lot 234
6 items including motor spares and centrifugal pumps



A collection of 13 centrifugal pumps and one air diaphragm pump from various manufactures.



3 filter units from various manufactures with a full set of pumps and motors.



Lot 245
3" twin centrifugal pumps with spare motors, motor/gearbox drives and pumps



Lot 246
16 assorted mono and centrifugal pumps



Lot 247
Associate fixed and variable speed motor/gearboxes



Assorted worm/wheel reduction gearboxes and motors



Lot 253
6 stainless steel multi-stage pumps ranging from 1/2" BSP to 2" BSP and one cast steel air diaphragm pump 1/2" BSP



5 pumps with integrated, inline filter units. 3 phase/415 vac.



A chemical dosing unit manufactured by Elador EMP of the Netherlands.

Lot 243

Tank comes complete with 80 litre/hr air diaphragm dosing pump, level controls and manual agitator.



Lot 244

3 inline fan extraction units and associated fan components. Two units of 10" diameter and one of 12" diameter manufactured by Elta Fans. Maximum temperature rating of 200°C



Lot 333

A pair of cast steel filter housing units. Each unit has 2" BSP inlet and outlet ports and 1/2" BSP drain port. Units come complete with lids and clamps



Lot 252

A pair of 3" fully lined centrifugal pumps, manufactured by Munsch of Germany. These chemical resistant pumps have a pump rate of 70 M³/hr and are powered by an 11 kW 3 phase motor

Bid online now at www.rileysurfaceworld.co.uk/auctions.asp

Andersen Ireland/Innovate Limerick





Riley plays major role in bringing redundant costume jewellery manufacturing site back to life.

Riley Surface World has recently concluded a major project to dispose of and decommission a large electroplating facility in the south west of Ireland.

Austrian-owned Hans Andersen was synonymous with quality costume jewellery. It had some of Europe's most modern product finishing facilities and annually produced around 3.5 million pieces of jewellery.

The company had two production sites in Vienna and Rathkeale, near Limerick, Ireland. In 2012 the parent company Pierre Lang Holdings was placed in voluntary liquidation and purchased later that year by Count Metternich through his German venture capital company SMB. Unfortunately, the new owners were unable to generate the level of sales necessary to keep both Austrian and Irish production sites open, so the company in Rathkeale was put into liquidation in September 2013.

Conversion to new enterprise zone

Riley Surface World became involved in 2014 when PWC were appointed receivers for the Rathkeale site and its contents. This was subsequently acquired by the local economic development agency, Innovate Limerick, with the intention of converting the site to a multipurpose enterprise zone.

Before this could be realised, the electroplating facilities had to be sold and decommissioned in keeping with EU legislation for the safe disposal of industrial chemicals and other hazardous materials.

To this end, Riley appointed former Andersen employee and chemical engineer Neil Cremin, through his new company Chemical

Surface Treatment Technologies, to act as project manager for the decommissioning and to assist with the machinery site clearance.

Sales to Canada, Ireland, UK and Eastern Europe

The first phase of the project resulted in the sale of a large Acid Copper electroplating line to Billdidit, a musical accessories manufacturer in Nova Scotia, Canada. The entire plant was dismantled, shipped across the Atlantic and re-assembled in Canada by the Riley Surface World support team.

The second phase, which took place during the winter of 2014 and spring of 2015, saw the remaining electroplating plants and all ancillary waste water treatment equipment sold by auction using Riley's own, dedicated online bidding channel, with buyers coming from Ireland, the UK and Eastern Europe.

Value returned to local community

The final outcome is that Riley Surface World has returned significant value to Innovate Limerick. Together with Neil and his team, it has cleared the site successfully and rendered it ready for conversion to a mixed commercial development. This will help to create future employment prospects for the many people that lost their jobs following the closure of the company two years ago.

Commenting on the project, Neil Cremin said:

"It has been a rewarding and enjoyable experience working with Michael Riley and his team. They have a very hands-on approach to the sales and decommissioning process and their technical knowledge and attention to detail is second-to-none."



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