

CMS-Geotech Launches in Lowestoft

CMS-Geotech, UK, has launched its operations base in Lowestoft, Suffolk providing specialist marine geotechnical support to a wide variety of marine sectors in both offshore & coastal waters. CMS-Geotech will specialise in geotechnical equipment hire, geotechnical surveys & seabed sampling, specialist vessel charter and wider marine survey consultancy support services.

It is envisaged that the company will build on their traditional links with the marine aggregate and port & harbour dredging sectors and subsea cable work whilst developing service provision for the oil & gas industries and offshore energy development.

A primary focus of the new business is geotechnical equipment hire which will include the companies own Datern 5000 CPT, several high-powered vibrocorers and a large variety of grabs and corers including a new hydraulic clamshell grab. All of the equipment can easily be shipped around the world to support third party operations in even the most remote of locations. The team at CMS- Geotech has over 25 years operating experience. As well as a full range of geotechnical rental equipment the company will also be offering its 24m survey vessel MV *Flatholm* for both short and long term charter.

CMS-Geotech will also carry out geotechnical surveys, deploying its comprehensive range of equipment from its 24m survey vessel the MV *Flatholm*. The team will be working in UK and European waters, providing geotechnical site investigations, environmental surveys. A number of site investigation contracts in UK waters have already been secured, within days of announcing the launch of operations.

The company will also be offering consultancy support through its managing director, Dr David Hitchcock who has over 25 years experience in the marine survey world and has worked extensively with the marine aggregates and international marine mineral mining industry. He will be working with a wide range of companies providing support in marine survey site investigation planning, geotechnical & geophysical interpretation, geohazard analysis, seabed processes & sedimentology, dredging performance parameters & determination of geotechnical hazards.

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