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Chieftain Group plc

Significant expansion for Barrow-in-Furness

Chieftain Group Plc (“Chieftain” or “the Group”), the Tyneside-based industrial services group, is pleased to announce the opening of a new office at the Trinity Enterprise Centre in Barrow-in-Furness to oversee the group’s substantial planned expansion in the North West of England.

Chieftain currently employs over 100 workers in the Barrow area and plans are in place to increase this to over 200 within three years, using the local skilled workforce. Chieftain has operated in Barrow since 1996, providing a multi-discipline outfitting package to clients including BAe. Along with wholly-owned subsidiary R Blackett Charlton Limited, which is one of the largest pipe fabrication businesses in the UK, Chieftain will use its Barrow office as the springboard for expansion across the North West of England.

The move comes just two months after Chieftain was awarded the British Safety Council Sword of Honour, recognising that the Group’s safety systems are among the best in the world. Chieftain was one of only 40 organisations worldwide to receive this coveted accolade.

Mr Laurence Adams, Director of Chieftain Group Plc, commented:

“Chieftain is today making a major commitment to the North West by announcing the opening of a new office in Barrow and laying down plans to double the size of our operation over the next three years. Building on our established relationships in the region, we are optimistic for future growth from this business”.

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