

## **PRESS RELEASE Dec 1, 2009 - Noble Health & Safety Consultancy Limited joins REC Group of Companies**

Noble Health & Safety Consultancy Limited, a leading specialist provider of health and safety and asbestos consultancy and training services, has joined the REC Group of companies.

Noble, established in 1997 and based in Plymouth, Devon, together with REC's existing environmental compliance and consultancy businesses will enable the enlarged group to provide clients with an expanded range of services including environmental consultancy, air quality and asbestos consultancy and management, legionella compliance, health and safety consultancy, health and safety and asbestos training, and expert witness services.

David Coll, Managing Director of REC's Asbestos division commented, "REC's success has given the group the strength to do this deal. Noble is a well managed business in a long term growth market. The combination of Noble's specialist expertise and strong regional presence in the South West with REC's existing range of services and nationwide network of offices will enhance our service offering and geographical coverage and yield strong benefits for our customers and our employees."

The management of Noble remain with the business and retain part ownership following the acquisition. Bruce Sutherland, Noble founder and Managing Director said: "I am delighted that we are joining the REC Group. The demand for our services within REC's client base and its extensive geographical coverage throughout the UK represents an excellent growth opportunity for Noble and its employees.

REC was advised by Scott Sands of JMW Solicitors LLP whilst the owners of Noble were advised by Riley Chartered Accountants and Bright LLP.

### About REC

The REC Group, established in 1995, is a multidisciplinary environmental consultancy and environmental compliance group based throughout the UK with offices in Manchester, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Birmingham, Braintree, Port Talbot, Fareham, Dundee, Newcastle and Co. Tyrone, Northern Ireland. It's main trading divisions include REC Geoenvironmental which provides environmental consultancy services, REC Air Quality which provides air quality consultancy and testing services, REC Asbestos which provides asbestos consultancy and project management services, REC Building Management Services which provides legionella compliance services and from 1 December 2009, Noble Health and Safety Consultancy which provides health and safety and asbestos consultancy and training services.

Website: [www.recltd.co.uk](http://www.recltd.co.uk)

### About Noble

Noble Health and Safety has grown by reputation through providing a high quality of service since being founded in October 1997. It delivers impartial and practical advice, training and

expert witness services in the highly legislated Health and Safety and Asbestos markets. It is highly accredited and has numerous trade body memberships and recognitions including ATAC, ISO 90001, UK Asbestos Training Association, British Occupational Hygiene Society, Institute of Health and Safety and the Association for Project Safety.

It has provided its services to a wide range of clients including County Councils, Universities, Housing Associations, commercial and industrial organisations, civil engineers and developers. The strength of the relationships forged with clients has ensured a high level of repeat business.

Noble moved to a new purpose built set of offices and training rooms in 2006. Its professional staff all hold high level qualifications and undergo continuous professional development.

Website: [www.noble.uk.net](http://www.noble.uk.net)

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