

Simon Carves Limited

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SIMON CARVES TO CONSTRUCT UK'S FIRST WORLD SCALE BIOETHANOL PLANT.

Simon Carves Ltd, member of the Punj Lloyd Group, has been engaged by The Ensus Group to design and construct one of the world's largest bioethanol production facilities. The plant will be the first to be built in the UK and marks a major step for the UK in meeting its EU biofuel obligations.

The facility will be built at the Wilton International site in Teesside, an integrated petrochemical complex in the North East of England. Construction will start in Q2 2007, with full production expected to begin in early 2009. The project is anticipated to employ up to 800 people during the construction phase and approximately 100 once the plant is fully operational.

The production of bioethanol from the plant will form a key contribution to the EU's strategy to scale-back dependency on fossil fuels and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. As recently as the 9 March 2007, the EU Council of Ministers endorsed a 10% binding minimum target to be achieved by all Member States for the share of biofuels in overall EU transport fuels by 2020. Within this framework the UK Government has announced that from April 2008 it will be introducing the Renewable Transport Fuels Obligation ("RTFO"). The RTFO will set a mandatory target of 5% of transportation fuels to be made up of biofuels by 2010. The facility designed and constructed by Simon Carves on behalf of Ensus will when fully operational substantially underpin the UK's entire target.

Working with world leading technology providers this prestigious contract with Ensus further establishes Simon Carves prominent position in the design and construction of world scale biofuel facilities.

Ensus Ltd is owned by the global private equity firm The Carlyle Group and energy focused Riverstone Holdings. The investment will be the first of a series of world scale facilities planned for construction by Ensus throughout Europe.

Alwyn Hughes, CEO, Ensus comments: “We are delighted to be working with Simon Carves in developing the Wilton plant following the investment from Carlyle and Riverstone. The construction project will generate hundreds of jobs and the plant will be a significant employer in the region going forward. Simon Carves’s expertise in plant construction will prove invaluable in helping us to deliver a world-class bioethanol facility and make a major contribution to the development of the UK biofuels industry.”

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About Simon Carves

Headquartered in Manchester, UK, Simon Carves Ltd was established in 1896. For over 100 years, Simon Carves has been working with customers, successfully creating capital facilities incorporating advanced technologies. In alliance and partnering arrangements with major companies, Simon Carves has been able to extend its portfolio to cover the complete range of services required by the customers. Providing a full range of services from master planning and feasibility studies through design and construction to revamp and de-bottlenecking projects, Simon Carves has executed over 4000 projects in 40 countries. Further information about the company is available at www.simoncarves.com.

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