Press Release

Positive Signs for Manufacturing Jobs in the South East

Thomas Eggar Manufacturing Index Demonstrates Strength of Industry
Recruitment specialists Advanced Resource Managers confirmed that their results reflected those
of a report published by Thomas Eggar suggesting that the outlook is positive for recovery in the
South East.

The Manufacturing Index, compiled for Thomas Eggar by DECISION business magazine examines the performance of the hundred largest manufacturers in the region, and the overall results show that there has been an average growth of 12% in sales across a range of industries from traditional manufacturing such as pharmaceutical and automotive production to defence and nanotechnology suppliers.

Mike Gawthorne, Managing Director of ARM stated:

Our work with numerous manufacturers in the region suggested a positive outlook for 2010, and this report confirms it. We recruit nationally across the industry and the South East has the second highest concentration of manufacturing organisations in the country, so news of growth will have a far reaching impact on jobs for the region. As industry specialists we will be working with our clients on finding the right candidates for their growing organisations.

The report lists the sales, pre-tax profits and assets of each company, together with the percentage change over the year. The information was taken from the latest audited accounts filed in December 2009, and comprises all manufacturing organisation with a functioning head office or registered office at which directors are based within Berkshire, Dorset, Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Surrey, Sussex and Wiltshire.

A copy of the report is available to download at: http://www.thomaseggar.com/webfiles/pdfs/Thomas%20Eggar_manufacturing%20index.pdf

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