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VIBES OF SCOTLAND

AWARDS 2005



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Competition winners to date have shown that businesses can benefit from reduced costs, better resource use and improved productivity because of good environmental practice”

Iain McMillan
Director of
CBI Scotland

Who to contact

To receive an application form fill in your details below and send them to:

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Alternatively, this form can be obtained on-line via our website

For any other information, VIBES can be contacted at the details below.
Telephone: 01896 754797
Fax: 01896 754412
E-mail: vibes@sepa.org.uk
Web: www.vibes.org.uk
We are also happy to answer any other questions you may have.

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Why a competition?

Organisations in Scotland are taking significant steps to improve or reduce their impact on the environment, saving money in the process. VIBES 2005 is being held to recognise and showcase best practice.

The main aims of the competition are to:

- > encourage the efficient use of resources
- > enhance the competitiveness of organisations
- > improve environmental performance
- > support the wider goals of sustainable development including social benefits through community and staff involvement.

Awards will be given in three organisation size categories at a high profile awards ceremony in December 2005. This is a valuable opportunity to have the success of your organisation widely recognised.

The VIBES competition is also a feeder for European Awards where the categories are best management, product/service, process and international co-operation for sustainable development.

Who can apply?

This Award is open to any organisation operating in Scotland. Applicants will be asked to put forward a site or premises for the awards. Organisations with a number of sites are welcome to make more than one application.

There are three categories, depending on the number of employees in the organisation as a whole, namely:

- > Organisations with more than 250 employees
- > Organisations with between 10 and 250 employees
- > Organisations with less than 10 employees

Short-listed organisations will be selected in each of these categories for the South, West, East, and Highlands & Islands, including the North East.



What are the judging criteria?

Entrants will be assessed against the following criteria:

- > **COMMITMENT**
Is the organisation committed to good environmental practice and sustainable development and is it part of policy and future plans?
- > **ACTION & ACHIEVEMENT**
Have actions to improve environmental performance and sustainable development been taken and what has been achieved as a result?

Further guidance will be provided with the application form.

Should companies be interested in progressing to the European Awards additional information may be required.



How are the winners selected?

Site visits will be used to select four regional winners from short-listed candidates. A judging panel will select the national category winners and present their awards at a ceremony in December 2005. Additional awards for best management, product/service, process or international co-operation may also be made.



How to apply and find out more...

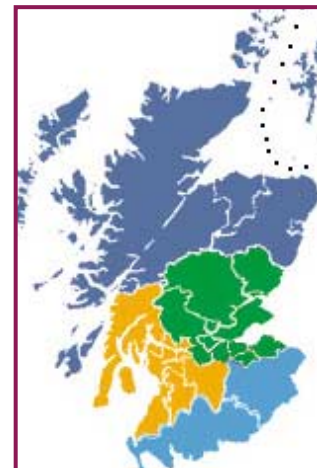
You can apply by contacting the VIBES Awards Co-ordinator, who will send you the application forms and guidance for the competition. Either fill in the form in this leaflet, telephone **01896 754797** or contact us via the competition website. You can also complete your application form on-line via the website, www.vibes.org.uk

All contact details are in this leaflet. Applications should be completed and returned to VIBES by 1st July 2005.

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- Highlands and Islands
- West
- East
- South

2004 WINNER Small size category

Enviroglass

Enviroglass recycles glass from public glass bank schemes into high quality products. Enviroglass is recognised for its strong community involvement in finding a local solution to Shetland's glass waste. This resulted in a large amount of waste diverted from landfill last year. The company has also benefited from a high value return for the products produced.



Enviroglass, Shetland

2004 WINNER Medium size category

SCOTASH
THE SCOTLAND ASH

ScotAsh is a joint venture between Scottish Power and Lafarge Cement UK. This company is an efficient business that recycles waste material by screening and blending ash so that it can be used in various ways in construction products. Good financial and environmental benefits have been made with great achievements in reducing water and energy use. ScotAsh is the first company outside the US to use cutting edge electrostatic separation technology.

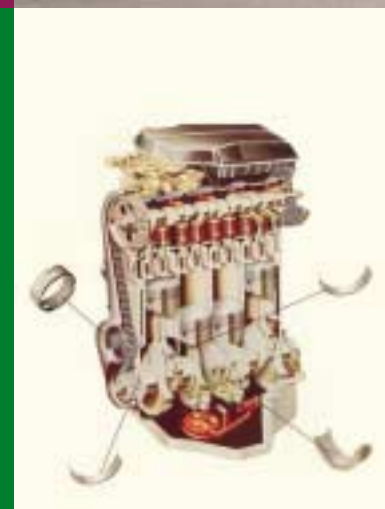


ScotAsh, Kincardine-on-Forth

2004 WINNER Large size category

DANA

Dana Glacier Vandervell is a manufacturer of plain bearing materials and bearing components. The company has set high environmental standards for itself and suppliers. The company also has good local community involvement. Environmental benefits include very impressive reductions and elimination of emissions to air and water. Actions to improve energy efficiency and raw material utilisation have resulted in significant financial savings.



Dana Glacier Vandervell Bearings, Kilmarnock