FOREST GARDEN SIGNS NEW AGREEMENT WITH KOPPERS PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS

Koppers Performance Chemicals has announced a continuation of its partnership with the UK's largest fencing and garden timber products manufacturer, Forest Garden Ltd.

Worcestershire-based Forest Garden is in the process of building a new treatment plant at Lockerbie in the Scottish Borders with Koppers' Celcure C65 brown treatment set to play a key role in the new operation.

Koppers Performance Chemicals' Product Support Director Phil Emsley explained: "Koppers Performance Chemicals are delighted to be a strategic supply partner to Forest Garden and look forward to continuing their strong Celcure working relationship over the coming years.

"In recent months Forest Garden have been expanding their business with a new head office facility now open at Hartlebury and a new treatment plant on order for Lockerbie. This coupled with the additional sawmilling facilities acquired

at Sennybridge last year will strengthen their position to respond to the growing demand for fencing," added Phil.

Forest Garden Sales Director John Gomersall commented: "The new plant installation at Lockerbie will allow Forest to process additional volumes of treated timber in both green and brown providing more choice for their trade and retail

"We will also be switching to the latest Koppers preservative system Celcure C65 as Celcure treatments have many years of proven performance across a vast range of timber product applications.

"The Lockerbie plant will also feature Koppers' latest computer control system, Worknet 2 which controls and monitors all aspects on the treatment process and provides us with a comprehensive package of treatment data," added John.

The new 19,500 sq ft office at Hartlebury marks an exciting new chapter for Forest



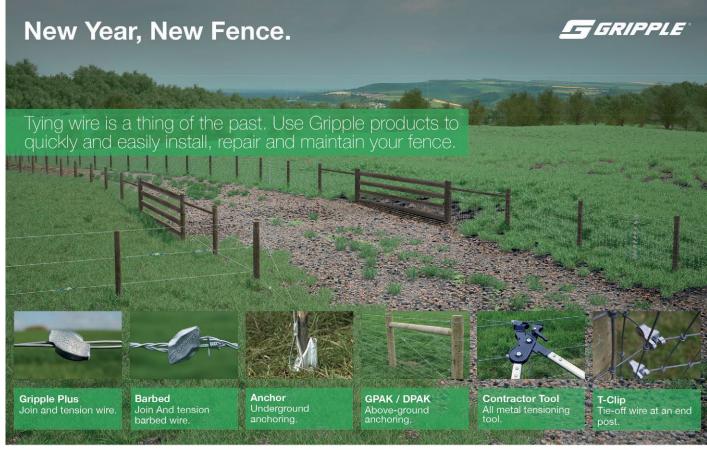
Garden representing a significant upgrade for its central office facilities.

Featuring high-tech presentation rooms and a purpose built suite of contemporary offices, the new head office will become home to everyone within Forest's group administration functions as well as the company's dedicated product development specialists. The new head office also features meeting room facilities which will be available for use by Forests customers and supply partners alike together with a 5000 sq.ft exhibition

centre which will showcase the Groups market leading products and award winning merchandising solutions.

Forest is the UK's largest manufacturer and distributor of garden timber products and can be purchased in more than 1,000 retailers up and down the country. For further information call 0844 248 9801 or email info@forestgarden.co.uk

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