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## GMEC Good Jobs Award 2010

### Winner: ABSOLUTE ELECTRICAL & MECHANICAL SOLUTIONS LTD

Absolute Electrical & Mechanical Solutions of Tarleton, near Southport has won the Good Jobs Award in the 2010 GMEC Awards.

Absolute Electrical, one of Procure Plus's contractors, won the award for understanding that job quality links positively to organisational performance.

Managing Director Alan Platt was presented with the award by Naeema Choudry of Eversheds Solicitors who said: "This award is presented for the difference Absolute Electrical has made to people's lives despite being a fledgling business."

Alan said: "We want to give people an opportunity. Fifty per cent of our workforce comes to us direct from the benefits register or from diverse backgrounds. The loyalty these lads show is fantastic."

"I had a high-quality apprenticeship when I was starting out and now it's time to give something back. Helping just one person gives such a sense of achievement and makes it all worthwhile."

Absolute Electrical offers many opportunities to help people reach their potential through quality jobs and training. Alan works closely with Progress2Work, has signed up to a Local Employment Partnership with Jobcentre Plus, is an advocate for Work Trials, supports the Government's Backing Young Britain campaign, including Future Jobs Fund. All that and the company is barely a year old!

Alan said: "I was delighted to have been shortlisted as a finalist but to have won is a great honour. I want my business to stand out for the very reasons we were nominated - giving a chance to those who really need it, and I want all those who work with me to be fulfilled and valued.

"If I inspired any other companies there last night to participate and employ people like we have then that is fantastic. To know that we can make that sort of difference is great. I have already spoken with three companies who have expressed an interest in working with us in the near future, which in turn means we can take on more people who really need the chance.

"I would also like to thank everyone at Procure Plus for all the help and support that they have provided me."