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Countrystyle winner at Wood Recyclers' Awards

Leading Kent based resource management company, Countrystyle Recycling is celebrating after last week being named winner of the 'Team of Year Award' at the national Wood Recyclers' Awards 2013.

As well as winning the Team of the Year Award, Countrystyle Recycling's Dan Beeson was runner up for 'Site Manager of the Year'. The company was also shortlisted for 'Quality Product of the Year' for their Grade C wood pellet which predominantly goes to Sweden where it is used in biomass boilers for heat generation.

Trevor Heathcote, Chairman of Countrystyle Group, said "We are very proud to have won this award and be recognised by our peers as investing in our people. Countrystyle delivers professional, top notch services in a niche market and it is great to have our efforts recognised in this way."

Taking place on Wednesday 20 November at Coombe Abbey in Warwickshire, the Wood Recyclers' Association Conference and Awards 2013 recognised development and achievement within the wood recycling industry. The 'Team of the Year' award was given in recognition of an exceptional day to day approach to delivering a high standard of service, production and quality on site.

Countrystyle's wood recycling team consists of six committed individuals, Dan Beeson, Nathan Azdic, Perry Moss, Dave Wassell, James Wood and Alan Deleslie. The team were recognised for their ability and drive to improve efficiency and throughput of the round-the-clock operation at the Countrystyle materials recycling facility (MRF) at Ridham and Ridham Docks Sea Terminals facility in Kent. Site manager Dan Beeson heads up wood recycling processes at Ridham as well as overseeing the operations of the facility at Ridham Docks. Dan has worked with the company for six years and manages a team of 22 people in total, ensuring the smooth running of a 24 hour operation at the two sites.

Jamie Houston, Countrystyle's Operations Director, comments, "We are really proud of the Ridham Operations Team for receiving this award. We believe we have a great team here at Countrystyle who care about doing a really great job for us and for our customers."

Countrystyle Group recycles over 99% of incoming wood and produces over 100,000 tonnes of Grade A and C wood pellets being produced each year. With exports to Sweden having increased by 20% due to high demand from customers, Countrystyle has recently installed new processing equipment at their Ridham Dock site to improve productivity and efficiency. Further investment is planned for the Ridham MRF over the next 12 months.

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Editors' Notes



Countrystyle Group is a leading, privately owned waste management and recycling company capable of handling, processing, disposing and recycling almost all forms of waste. Its flagship facility, at Ridham in Sittingbourne Kent, provides specialist services for the recycling of plasterboard and wood material. Other services include in-vessel composting, two waste transfer stations and an extensive commercial waste collection service providing local authorities and businesses with closed loop waste and resource management recycling services. Countrystyle Group employs 210 people across its sites in Kent.

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