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**Dustcheck acquired by Filtermist International Ltd**

Stoke-on-Trent based dust removal expert [Dustcheck Limited](#) is delighted to announce that it has been acquired by industrial air filtration specialist [Filtermist International](#), part of the Swedish [Absolent Group](#).

Established in 1978, Dustcheck manufactures industrial dust collectors and industrial air filtration systems, as well as offering aftersales services including LEV (local exhaust ventilation) Testing.

The acquisition by Telford based Filtermist is designed to ensure Dustcheck retains the same ethos and values instilled in the company by previous owners Ed and Di Spires, as Ed explains;

“As a family run business Dustcheck has played a significant role in both mine and my wife Di’s lives. We have spent the last 39 years building the company into one of the UK’s leading dust extraction providers and we are very proud of our achievements.

“We wanted to be sure that whoever took Dustcheck on would continue to operate it in the same spirit that we have. We were delighted when Filtermist expressed an interest as it has an excellent reputation in its field and a clear ambition to successfully extend its capabilities into removing a wide range of airborne contaminants in addition to oil mist.”

Ed and Di Spires will be retiring from Dustcheck, whilst all other staff including the existing management team, will remain at the company’s Stoke office.

Filtermist International is currently enjoying record growth – sales increased by 30% between 2015 and 2016 and acquisitions are a key factor in the company’s plans for the future.

Increasing capability in dust extraction is a natural progression for Filtermist – the company has distributed dust extraction filters from sister firm [Absolent AB](#) since 2010, and dust control accounts for a significant proportion of the centralised extraction systems designed and installed by Filtermist subsidiary [Multi Fan Systems](#).

Filtermist Managing Director James Stansfield comments, ““Filtermist is the UK market leader for oil mist extraction and began expanding its service proposition to include dust, fume and smoke when it became part of the Absolent Group in 2010.

“The company’s capabilities increased again with the acquisition of Filtertech Ltd and Multi Fan Systems last year; the deal with Dustcheck will further strengthen our dust extraction offering – particularly in large, centralised extraction systems.

“Filtermist has an extremely ambitious growth strategy and we are confident that this latest acquisition will play a key role in ensuring the company meets its targets.”

When the opportunity to acquire Dustcheck arose, Filtermist quickly realised that it had the potential to fit extremely well with the company’s existing business.

“Finding a suitable business with a similar ethos to Filtermist’s was very important,” continues **James**.

“When we started looking at Dustcheck as a potential acquisition for Filtermist it became apparent that there are a number of synergies between the two companies.

“We are both forward thinking UK manufacturers with more than 40 years’ experience in our respective industries, we both offer a full turnkey service and we both recognise the value of offering extensive aftersales support. And, probably most importantly of all, both companies also place great value on recruiting and retaining the best people for the job.

“Filtermist is extremely excited by this deal and we are confident that it will result in continued growth for both companies.”

Find out more about Filtermist’s UK operation by visiting www.filtermist.co.uk, or go to www.dustcheck.com for information about Dustcheck’s products and services.

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Nigel Hubbard (Dustcheck MD), Peter Dawson (Dustcheck Director of Sales) Ed Spires, James Stansfield (Filtermist MD), Di Spires, Bill Moran (Dustcheck Director of Production)

Editors' notes**Filtermist UK**

Established in Shropshire in 1969, Filtermist's ethos is to protect people by ensuring cleaner, safer, more productive workshops. The company, part of the Swedish Absolent Group, offers three main services - air extraction and filtration, process fluid filtration and coolant control.

Filtermist is best known for manufacturing a range of compact, quiet and efficient oil mist filters which are trusted by world leading manufacturers in more than 60 countries.

In the UK, as well as effectively removing oil mist from the air in industrial workshops, Filtermist also provides a comprehensive service for smoke, dust and fume removal and is the UK distributor for sister company Absolent AB.

Filtermist's turnkey offering includes specification, design, equipment supply, installation, commissioning and an extensive aftersales service for standalone and centralised extraction systems. Dedicated teams of qualified engineers provide routine and reactive maintenance, LEV testing and air monitoring throughout the UK. Filtermist is accredited by SafeContractor for its high levels of health and safety.

Trading division Direct Filtration offers a wide range of filter consumables for use in process fluid filtration applications, as well as air filter media.

Subsidiary company Multi Fan Systems provides customised air movement, filtration and extraction systems for VOC abatement, centralised vacuuming and conveying, ventilation and cooling, and production waste and trim extraction.

Visit www.filtermist.co.uk for more details.

Dustcheck Limited

Dustcheck are the UK's leading manufacturer of quality industrial dust collectors and industrial air filtration systems.

Operating from purpose built premises combining modern office and manufacturing facilities Dustcheck have delivered dust control systems, industrial air filtration and dust extraction systems to the world's largest manufacturing companies for over 38 years.

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