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BOOTH INDUSTRIES COMPLETE WORK ON MULTI MILLION SCHEME

Bolton based Booth Industries has completed work on a £250K contract to supply bespoke and commercial steel doors for the M25 Bell Common Tunnel.

The contract was part of a larger £90.4m scheme by the Highways Agency to refurbish the tunnel, replacing mechanical and electrical equipment which was installed when the tunnel was constructed in the 1980s.

Costain, the main contractor on the project brought Booth in to supply specially designed, cross passage, steel fire doors at the cost of £150K. These doors, which contain overhead electrical control panels, were fitted to the central dividing wall of the east and west bound bores of the tunnel, providing a means of escape should there be a fire in either bore.

Booth Commercial, a new operating arm of Booth Industries, was also contracted by Costain to supply the commercial grade steel doors to the outside and inside of the east and west ventilation buildings of the tunnel, at a cost of £100K

Norman Harrison, technical sales executive and project manager for transport infrastructure projects said: "Booth Industries has expanded aggressively in the UK and worldwide in the last few years as a specialist provider of cross passage fire and ancillary doors taking advantage of the global growth in transport infrastructure projects, particularly high speed rail and road tunnels. This in turn has helped with the expansion of Booth Commercial a new operating arm of Booth Industries supplying the lighter, commercial grade doors which has secured some major contracts in its own right and worked with the core business on key projects like the Bell Common and Holmesdale road tunnel refurbishments on the M25 motorway plus St Pancras International Station and the Gautrain Rapid Rail Link project in South Africa."

Dr Vicknayson Thevendran, Construction Manager from Costain said: "Booth has met and exceeded what was expected of them and I look forward to working with them in the future, on further schemes."

Notes to editors:

Booth Commercial supplied a new UK and European compliant product for the Bell Common Tunnel project which they've spent 18 months developing and testing. This product has proved its worth on a number of contracts, taking advantage of an automated assembly line to turn doors around extremely quickly, meeting very tight project deadlines. For further information visit: www.booth-industries.co.uk