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Story Contracting is delighted to announce that its Plant team have successfully retained Gold on Network Rail's Route to Gold scheme for the second year in a row. This is a huge achievement which acknowledges the hard work and commitment of the full Plant team over the last 12 months, from workshop and planning through to transport and operators. Route to Gold is a Network Rail initiative to reward Plant Suppliers in their service of providing reliable plant that delivers strong shift performance in collaboration with Clients.

Story are now one of only four suppliers in the UK to be awarded Gold for ongoing engagement to the Plant Reliability Programme and commitment to developing improvements and solutions for the industry. This has been demonstrated by Story winning the Share with Pride Award two years in a row, which involves sharing best practice with the wider Plant industry and continuously looking for opportunities to improve and further enhance what Story can offer.

Tony Cook, Plant Director at Story Contracting, said: “This is a fantastic achievement that the whole Plant team can be proud of, as achieving Gold was one thing but the real challenge is to maintain this level of performance year-on-year. Although a lot of emphasis is placed on the reliability of our machines when working on-site, the importance of our staff behind the scenes can’t be forgotten. The hard work of each person in the team can have a positive effect on our performance as a Plant supplier and it is great to see the team’s efforts rewarded by achieving Gold for the second year in a row.”

As part of Story Contracting’s commitment to continuously improving Plant performance and reliability, the company’s Plant team now carry out the in-house refurbishment of their extensive fleet of machines, including the recent refurbishment and upgrade of a Liebherr A900 czw Road Rail Vehicle which can be seen in the video below:

Jason Butterworth, Story Contracting CEO, said: “Retaining Gold is a great achievement for our Plant division and is testament to the hard work and commitment of the whole team since we first achieved the award 12 months ago. Our belief in being open and transparent in our operations and our commitment to ‘Doing It Right’ for our clients, customers and staff is at the heart of everything we do. This result recognises the hard work of the Story team and their dedication to working collaboratively with Network Rail and the wider industry.”

Leigh Goble, Network Rail Programme Manager, said: “I wanted to take the opportunity to say congratulations and thank you in equal measure. It is one thing to achieve Gold, but maintaining it requires focus and tells of an embedded culture and processes which underpins all.

“I also wanted to say thank you for your engagement with the Plant Reliability Programme, Plant related forums and James Helm more specifically. We can only really make these differences together and your approach to these meetings and discussions is always positive.”