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Campden BRI strikes gold in prestigious health and safety awards

Campden BRI, the Chipping Campden-based food and drink research business, recently struck gold in the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) Awards in recognition of its first-class approach to occupational health and safety.

Running for nearly six decades, the prestigious RoSPA Awards scheme is the largest and longest-running programme of its kind in the UK. It acknowledges and rewards firms' commitment to accident and ill health prevention and is open to businesses and organisations of all types and sizes from across the UK and overseas.

The highly-regarded national award scheme not only looks at accident records but also takes into account firms' health and safety management systems, including working practices such as leadership and workforce involvement.

Trudi Ade-Hall, Campden BRI's health and safety manager, said: "This is a major achievement for us, proving our commitment to excellence in health and safety matters and demonstrating to the outside world that we are a professional organisation with good, robust operational and management systems in place.

"Last year, Campden BRI won silver in the awards, so we are thrilled that we've gone one better this year to achieve gold, in recognition of our resolve to continuously raise our high standards of health and safety management throughout the organisation, both in Chipping Campden and our brewing division at Nutfield in Surrey."

David Rawlins, RoSPA's awards manager, said: "RoSPA firmly believes organisations that demonstrate commitment to continuous improvement in accident and ill health prevention deserve recognition. Campden BRI has shown that it is committed to striving for such continuous improvement and we are delighted to honour it through the presentation of the Gold Award for Occupational Health and Safety 2013."

The Gold Awards was presented to Campden BRI at a glittering awards ceremony at the Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel at the National Exhibition Centre on Thursday 16 May 2013.

Notes to editors

A photograph of Campden BRI receiving its RoSPA award is available to accompany this press release. Photograph caption to read: "Trudi Ade-Hall (Health and Safety Manager) and Martin Hall (Director of Science) receiving the Gold RoSPA Award on behalf of Campden BRI."

About Campden BRI

Campden BRI is the UK's largest independent <u>membership-based</u> organisation carrying out research and development for the food and drinks industry worldwide. It is committed to providing industry with the research, technical and advisory services needed to ensure product safety and quality, process efficiency and product and process innovation.

Facilities at its Chipping Campden site include: three fully-equipped food processing halls, two bakeries, product and process development facilities, a substantial, leading-edge sensory analysis suite, and extensive research and analytical laboratories covering microbiology, hygiene, chemistry, biochemistry and microscopy.

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