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BALLHEIMER STRENGTHENS BRISTOL'S TEAM

Bristol Uniforms, a global leader in the design and manufacture of firefighter PPE, has appointed Richard Ballheimer to the role of Compliance Manager.

Richard's appointment comes as a result of Bristol's significant business expansion and will further strengthen its experienced and highly skilled management team.

Based at the company's head office in Bristol, Richard will be responsible for its specialist compliance operation, which includes ensuring manufactured PPE meets required production specifications and is delivered on time.

In addition, he will ensure Bristol continues to conform to management and system standards and will work closely with Bristol's Technical Manager, Ivan Rich, to ensure Bristol remains fully compliant with national and international standards and product certification processes.

Richard is no stranger to the firefighter PPE industry, where he has worked for over 15 years. He joins Bristol Uniforms from Ballyclare, where he was Fire & Technical Director. He brings with him considerable knowledge of the industry, and extensive experience of products, PPE standards, and managed services. Prior to Ballyclare he worked for Lion in a similar role.

Ian Mitchell, Joint Managing Director of Bristol Uniforms, is delighted to have Richard on board. Speaking from the company's head office in Bristol he said:



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“Richard joins the company at an important time, as demand for our world-class PPE continues to grow, and the need for our cleaning and repair services increases. Richard has a wealth of experience in this industry and is already proving to be a real asset to the team.”

Richard Ballheimer said: “It’s great to be joining Bristol Uniforms at such an exciting time. I’m looking forward to the challenge and contributing to a really top class operation and team.”

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Editor’s note:

Bristol Uniforms Ltd, founded in Bristol in 1801, has been, and remains, the UK’s leading designer and manufacturer of protective clothing for municipal and industrial firefighters both in the UK and abroad with around 50% of sales being exported to over 110 countries across the world. The company, which also supplies specialist PPE for other emergency services, including the police and ambulance service, employs over 100 people.