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Battery Plant

Nissan has recently awarded Vantec Europe the contract to assemble and supply to the Nissan production line, protective magazines used to store and transport the batteries used in their ground breaking electric vehicle, the Leaf.

Nissan confirmed Vantec as the chosen contractor and sole provider of the Pressure and Non Pressure magazines.



To accommodate this new operation Vantec have had to expand their business and have therefore taken out a 12 month lease at a new location on Spire Road, Washington. The new 25,000ft² facility has been developed specifically to accommodate the unique nature of this business, including clean areas and a sonic welding bay. Location of the new facility is only 2 miles from VEU Headquarters and NMUK Battery plant. Vantec Europe specialises in warehousing and logistics therefore this is an exciting and new opportunity for Vantec to demonstrate different skills associated with assembly work, sonic welding and the use of Radio Frequency Identification (RFI) methods.

High focus will be on Vantec staff training; this training will be carried out by experts in order to fulfil the predicted 32,500 magazines with a smooth introduction to NMUK to house the batteries over a 12 - 18 month period.

Vantec has seen an increase in its workforce to support this new operation.

The team consists of a manager, supervisor, team leader and 10 operational staff; an additional 4 operational staff will work a two shift pattern based at the NMUK Battery plant introducing magazines into the system.