COMPANY PROFILE – Outline of SFC

Smith Flow Control Limited is the premier manufacturer of valve interlocks and invented the coded card key valve interlock, which is in service all around the World. This is now available not only in its original form customized to suit the manufacturers’ host valve, but also in a flexible range available to suit many handwheel operated valves in a standard package. Our own dedicated in-house R&D resource, using the latest technology and production techniques as applicable, carries out our product design and research and has been at the forefront of every major development in valve interlocking for many years.

In addition we have an engineering department responsible for the production drawings and documentation for every single production job, including the customization of the interlocks to suit the host equipment. All components are manufactured to our specifications and assembled at our Witham factory, the majority of these components are investment castings made using the lost wax process.

Assembly work is supported by a small shop of light machine tools in-house with access, where necessary, to an extensive supply of specialized and skilled suppliers available locally that we can use. From here in Witham major projects have been successfully completed for many big name contractors and oil majors around the World, a selection being included in section 2 of this document.

Over the last few years our factory and offices has been extensively extended and refurbished; improving the layout and working practices based on our experiences in the last couple of decades. This has improved the flow of work around and through our facility. Typically output runs at 800 to 1,000 interlocks per month and when necessary production has been stepped up to around 2,000 interlocks completed in a month.

Smith Flow Control Limited is a subsidiary of Halma PLC., which is quoted on the London Stock Exchange. Their accounts are available, as are ours, if required. We have held approval of our quality system to ISO 9001 since December 1993 and are now certified to the ISO 9001: 2000 standard.

We have a team of experienced Site Service Supervisors who have all carried out surveys and installations on major petrochemical sites around the world and who frequently work on offshore production platforms, with current medicals and offshore survival qualifications.

After sales services are based at our Witham facility where we have records going back to our first jobs in 1985. Many records are available now as computer files and though the use of e-mail in addition to fax, telecommunications and our network of international agents our after sales services can be delivered quickly and efficiently.

We are always pleased to help.