## HSS TRAINING EXPANDS INTO IRELAND

**24th May 2010:** HSS Training, the specialist training division of HSS Hire, the UK's award-winning tool and equipment hire company, has announced it will be expanding operations to now also offer training courses throughout Ireland.

The announcement comes just days after HSS confirmed the acquisition of the Hydrex Training business, adding specific rail and plant training capabilities to their portfolio.

HSS Training offers over 100 industry-recognised technical and safety courses, delivered in more than 20 locations around the UK by a team of trainers that are expert in their field. For the past 10 years, they have been dedicated to enhancing and developing the skills, knowledge and safety of delegates all around the country and helping organisations of all sizes aspire to the highest levels of health and safety. Now, they will be taking that expertise to delegates in the Republic of Ireland too.

HSS Training will deliver courses in Ireland through a network of purpose built 'centres of excellence' including Dublin, Cork, Limerick and Galway as well as Belfast in Northern Ireland. Courses will also be offered at customer locations.

Mark Winfield, HSS Training Director, explains: "Over the past 18 months or so, we've been really concentrated on growing the training part of the HSS group. By investing in new training centres, in new courses and in our fantastic team of trainers, we've enhanced our reputation as a leading provider of health & safety and technical training courses.

"I'm delighted that we can now extend our training provision into Ireland. We'll be offering the same broad curriculum of courses that we do in the UK and will also be able to deliver training in bespoke areas too. We now have a network of locations throughout Ireland and training can also be offered onsite at the customer's location if they prefer".

## **Notes to editors:**

HSS Hire Service Group is a UK-based tool and equipment hire chain that has been serving big businesses, trade and DIY customers since 1957. It is the Hire Association Europe's Hire Company of the Year 2009 and Contract Journal's Plant Hire Company of the Year 2009. In 2010 it was awarded the HAE's 'Excellence in Customer Care' award and Highly Commended by the European Rental Association.

Operating under the banner of HSS Hire, the group has an established nationwide network of over 250 locations including a number of supercentres with extended opening hours. The company also runs a dedicated training division and offers a range of innovative hire related services including HSS LiveHire, HSS Assured and HSS Pitstop.

HSS Hire is ISO9000, ISO14001, OHSAS18001 and SAFE-Hire certified and holds Investors in People status as well as a 4 star British Safety Award.

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