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AEA to create new air quality database and website for Scotland

AEA Energy & Environment teams at Harwell and Glengarnock have recently been awarded a major contract to develop a robust and comprehensive air quality database and website for Scotland.

Following extensive public and technical consultation on a pilot project, and much positive feedback, AEA has been given the go-ahead by Scottish Executive to develop and launch these new national air quality resources for Scotland.

They will feature wide-ranging information on current pollution levels throughout Scotland, together with forecasts, background information and updates.

Robert Bell, Managing Director, AEA Energy & Environment said:

'AEA has a world-class skills and expertise in air quality monitoring and web reporting, and we are delighted to be substantially delivering this major project for the Scottish Executive through our growing Glengarnock office.'

On behalf of the Scottish Executive, AEA will also be providing comprehensive quality assurance and control services to a number of local authority monitoring programmes throughout Scotland; these will ensure the integrity and accuracy of all the data reported on the Scottish website.

When it goes live in the first half of 2007, this site will complete the distinctive air quality information resources that AEA provides for Scotland, the UK, Northern Ireland and Wales.

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- AEA Energy & Environment offers policy support, consultancy and programme management for the public sector and agencies, working both in the UK and throughout the world and related consultancy and services for the private sector.
- AEA's Momenta consultancy offers programme management for the public sector – for example in Agriculture, Education, Environment, Health, Industry and Transport. Momenta helps Government, Devolved Administrations and Agencies 'put policy into practice'.
- NCEC provides information and 24/7 help lines in the field of chemical safety for UK Government and for the chemical industry worldwide.