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MT32 Fast Tracks Petrol Station Refurbishment for BP

Electrical contractor Active Connect is all geared up to install Marshall-Tufflex's MT32 prefabricated modular wiring solution in BP company-owned petrol stations around the country following a successful trial of the system at a site in Surrey.

The BP Connect Service Station in Woking underwent complete redevelopment to update its facilities and incorporate a new M&S Simply Food outlet onto the site.

As a BP approved electrical contractor, Active Connect was charged with designing and installing all power and data systems for the project and decided to trial Marshall-Tufflex's MT32 modular power connection with a view to using it within future projects.



"Our priority was to find a power connection system that would allow us to efficiently complete fast-track retail projects," explained Active Connect director Gary Woodland. "We were also keen to identify a system that reduced the number of electrical engineers on site, which impacts upon health and safety issues. The MT32 system was very good. It's quite straight-forward to install and far easier than a traditional 'hard wired' installation. It did exactly what it said on the tin."

Active Connect supplied Marshall-Tufflex design engineers with full specification and drawings for the BP service station project, allowing Marshall-Tufflex to produce detailed plans and a cable schedule. The project was managed by Bovis Lend Lease. Electrical wholesaler, The Electric Centre, in Molesey, supplied the entire system in five kits to cover different sections of the 245m² service station, including till areas, the Wild Bean Bakery and back offices.

Each kit contained a pre-wired home run complete with distribution hub ready for on-site final connection to the distribution board and accessories. MT32 home run multi-core cables are prefabricated to suit the project specifications, which enabled quick and easy connection to pre-wired and assembled lighting and power points within the service station.

Marshall-Tufflex Odyssey perimeter trunking incorporating MT32 pre-wired modular accessories was also supplied for a particular area that required a concentration of multiple surface power and data service outlets.

The trial proved successful on a number of counts for Active Connect. Not only has it identified a power connection system that delivers big time savings on electrical installations, it has provided Active Connect with a competitive edge in being able to offer its clients a fast-track service using the



MT32 bespoke factory-tested modular wiring system. A further benefit with the MT32 system is that it can be easily reconfigured and re-used post-installation and without waste, allowing the electrical contractor's clients such as BP to refresh their store image and lay-out without major upheaval or cost implications.

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