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TWO former work colleagues have joined forces to form Outdoor Power and Plant Ltd. Malcolm Kirk and Gordon Rice have set up their business for the service, repair and maintenance of vans, light commercials, HGVs and small plant just five minutes from the centre of Douglas in large new secure workshop premises on the Snugborough Trading Estate.

Malcolm and Gordon each have some 16 years' industry experience, and are highly trained, as are their team of technicians, all of whom are fully time-served to City and Guilds Part 3 level and above.

Training and continuous development is a key focus for this newly formed Manx business. In addition to his wide-ranging technical

Gordon has passed the Vehicle Inspectorate training course, expertise he has since handed



Technician Oliver Lavery performing break rolling road

down to the rest of the team. He said: 'All work undertaken is

carried out to this standard. Training programmes - both off and on-Island - are a key part of our business to ensure we deliver the highest levels of service.'

The team are all certified Terberg/Scania/Dennis/ Zoller/Tele Hoist/ Heiland Scarab Sweepers trained technicians, in addition to which the company will service, repair and maintain products by leading manufacturers including Man, ERF, DAF, Iveco and Ford.

Gordon said: 'We also have full MOT facilities, the very latest diagnostic and calibration equipment, a brake performance roller test, and 32-ton truck lift. And as our workshop is so large with a high roof, not only can we accommodate commercial vehicles, we're also able to offer a service to horsebox and

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users of waste management vehicles." Other services include roadside assistance, contract maintenance for single/multi-fleet users

motorhome owners, as well as to small-to-large

and tailored maintenance packages. The parts side of the operation is currently in development, although items can usually be sourced within 24 hours.

Sales of all leading commercial vehicle products is offered, supported by dedicated after-sales



Truck being lifted using 32 tonne portable hoist

Malcolm said: 'Before we set up the business, we researched the market extensively and believe the importance we place on continuous technical training, combined with a commitment to delivering the highest standards of

service is already paying dividends, judging by the encouraging level of customer response we're receiving.

'This business is a "first" for both us, and Gordon and I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank our families and friends for their help and support in bringing Outdoor Power and Plant Ltd to fruition.



Technician Oliver Lavery performing break



Technician Gordon carrying out a routine maintenance check



Proprietors Malcolm Kirk and Gordon Rice at Outdoor Power &



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