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SOUTHERN CRANES & ACCESS TAKES TYRE PROTECTION TO NEW HEIGHTS WITH WHEELY-SAFE TECHNOLOGY

Southern Cranes & Access has significantly reduced its tyre-related downtime and improved the health & safety of its operations after fitting Wheely-Safe technology across its fleet of mobile cranes.

The West Sussex-based business has Wheely-Safe's intelligent tyre pressure monitoring system (TPMS) working on 40 of its vehicles – constantly checking the health of the heavy-duty fitments they run on.

Kelvin Prince, Director at Southern Cranes & Access, says: "Our tyres are carrying some seriously heavy weights, on up to six-axle machines. Each tyre is worth in the region of £1,200 so it's vital we look after them as well as we can.

"The Wheely-Safe system is the perfect solution for us. We've seen a big reduction in tyre failures across the fleet since we installed the technology and, most importantly of all, it improves the safety of our operation. If we get a blow out on one of these cranes it can do some serious damage – therefore it's absolutely vital to have everything in place to make sure that doesn't happen."

Southern Cranes & Access has specified Wheely-Safe's external TPMS sensors, which replace the valve cap and auto-pair with an in-cab solar receiver. Ideal for larger vehicles, the heavy vehicle TPMS sensors are suitable for inflation pressures of up to 188 psi.

The company's crane operators are also utilising Wheely-Safe's handy Pressure and Brake Temperature Checkers, as well as WalkAround Checkers for their daily inspections.

"The system works very well and is really easy to use," adds Prince. "There's no loss of air when the guys are checking the pressures in the morning, a simple tap on the sensor tells them the tyres are running at the pressures they should be. It makes life a lot easier before they head out onto the road."

Southern Cranes & Access is a family-run business which started trading in July 1997. The business has one of the largest, most versatile fleets of access machines and cranes in the south-east.

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Notes to editor:

Wheely-Safe is an automotive technology business founded in 2010 by two lifelong friends – Gary Thomas, a Director of his own transport compliance consultancy, and Gary Broadfield, a Director of Technology and serial inventor for a large Japanese electronics manufacturer. Together they brought the marriage of skills required to help solve wheel loss issues in the automotive sector, and to tackle the huge number of vehicles driving every day on under-inflated tyres. The early years of Wheely-Safe concentrated on attaining worldwide patent protection and technology small enough to fit near the wheels of all vehicle types, from cars and vans to trucks and trailers – with its first products launched into the market during 2018, and a second generation following in 2022. For more information please visit: www.wheely-safe.com

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