



Pilkington takes delivery of heat soak oven

Precision Fabrication and Engineering specialist Solent Manufacturing, Waterlooville, Hampshire, delivers a Heat Soak oven to the Pilkington Group.

The latest EFCO oven, has been manufactured under sub-contract by Solent Manufacturing of Waterlooville. This oven will be used in the Pilkington Factory at Alfreton, Derby for the purposes of semi-annealing thermally toughened soda lime silicate glass, to reduce the incidence of fractures caused by the unstable form of NiS crystals within the toughened glass. .

Manufactured to precise specification from drawings provided by EfcO Furnaces Ltd. This furnace has taken 5 people over 2 months to build. Delivery was on schedule and it is expected it will be used in production within two weeks.

Solent Manufacturing's head office and assembly is located in Waterlooville, Hampshire.

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Notes for Editors:

Solent Manufacturing was set up 1968 working as a specialised metal fabricator serving companies in the home counties. In the intervening years the business has grown significantly, it is now part of a larger group which includes Bigneat (Laboratory Equipment) and EFCO (Furnaces).

Solent's specialised fabrications are used world wide for applications in diverse industries, examples of which include Aerospace, Catering, Construction, Marine, Medical and Pharmaceuticals to name but a few.

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The Heat Soak oven starts its journey.



The control system