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CENTRE HOTTING UP WITH AWARD-WINNING EXHIBITORS

No less than six awards have been won by four exhibitors at the National Self Build & Renovation Centre in the UK's National Heat Pump awards, held last week.

Leading manufacturers Dimplex, Nu-Heat, Mitsubishi Electric and Daikin all scooped top industry awards at the UK's first and only National Heat Pump Awards. Held at the ICC, Birmingham on the 23rd June, over 300 guests enjoyed a fabulous gala dinner and applauded the winners and highly commended entries in the 10 award categories.

Four of the lucky winners are exhibitors at BuildStore's National Self Build & Renovation Centre in Swindon, picking up six awards between them:

Dimplex Renewables

Commercial Ground/Water Source Installation of the Year - Winner

Nu-Heat

Training Excellence – Winner - Nu-Heat National Renewables Training Centre
Installer of the Year – Winner – Gareth Wilson – Nu-Heat registered installer

Ecodan from Mitsubishi Electric

Domestic Air Source Installation of the Year - Winner

Daikin Europe nv

Commercial Air Source Installation of the Year – Winner
Product Innovation of the Year – Winner - Altherma Flex Type heat pump

Heather Oliver, Marketing Manager at Nu-Heat commented:

“Nu-Heat is delighted to have won the award for ‘Training Excellence’ for our National Renewables Training Centre as it demonstrates our commitment to providing the best possible service to installers at every stage of the installation process.

“We are equally pleased that Gareth Wilson won the ‘Installer of the Year’ category. Nominated by Nu-Heat, Gareth has been installing our products for many years and demonstrates exactly those qualities of technical skill and customer service that make him a worthy winner. We look forward to many more years of doing business together.”

Marketing Communications Manager at Dimplex, Karen Trewick, said:

“Although only in its first year, at Dimplex Renewables we already view the National Heat Pump Awards as a key event in the UK renewables calendar. The range of projects being showcased really highlights the potential applications of heat pump technology and as a result, we firmly believe the awards will help develop the industry.

“In particular, we were delighted to have been honoured in the awards and will certainly be supporting them in future years.”

Sharon Oliver Marketing Communications Manager at Mitsubishi Electric, said:

“We are absolutely delighted with this recognition for Ecodan as it demonstrates that heat pumps can work efficiently throughout the British winter, when they are specified and installed correctly.”

The Centre’s Commercial Manager, Debbie Buggins, commented:

“We offer our congratulations to all our exhibitors who won an award. The industry has become very competitive in recent years, so these four should be proud of their achievements. We are certainly delighted that we have companies of such calibre in our Centre, and that they can offer their award-winning products to the thousands of visitors we welcome through our doors.”

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Notes to Editors

BuildStore is at the heart of the UK’s self build and renovation sector, with a bespoke end-to-end offering of products and services, specifically designed to help self builders and renovators throughout their projects.

BuildStore’s core services include:

- Land finding via PlotSearch, the UK’s largest and most accurate online database of building plots, renovations and conversions. There are over 9,000 plots, renovations and conversions available, constantly validated for accuracy and include aerial photography
- Financial Services – BuildStore is the UK’s leading provider of tailored self build and renovation mortgages, allowing funds to be released in stages throughout the project giving positive cash flow. Mortgages are sold direct to the public and via intermediaries
- Buying materials - BuildStore’s TradeCard provides over 3,000 members with discounts and offers of building materials, plant and tool hire from leading suppliers and builder’s merchants, by combining the buying power of the UK’s self builders and renovators
- The UK’s first and only National Self Build & Renovation Centre, opened in February 2007 in Swindon; an impressive 67,000 sq ft Centre designed to educate, inform and inspire self builders and renovators.

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