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'Palm' Construction Lands in the Hands of Bauer Technologies Ltd

Bauer Technologies Ltd has announced the completion of its specialist foundation work for Palm Paper Ltd, as part of its project to build one of the largest paper factories in Europe.

The plant, located on a 100-acre brownfield site in King's Lynn, will have the capacity to produce 400,000 tonnes of newsprint per year utilising 100% recycled fibres, whilst maintaining environmentally friendly processes.

The project, which was undertaken directly on behalf of the German client, an Austrian consultant and to standard German contract conditions, required progress meetings and reports to be in German, (although in accordance with UK HSE and UK technical standards).

The project saw Bauer construct 880-mm diameter bored piles and secant pile wall sections that will ultimately support the paper manufacturing machine; reported to be the most advanced paper machine of its type in the world. Bauer also performed jet grouting works to assist the client in solving problems caused by existing piles in the line of the secant pile wall.

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With the project start delayed by one month, due to problems with the working platform, Bauer adapted to the difficult situation by mobilising an additional 3rd BG28 drilling rig and utilising their strength of having highly experienced staff available from within their global operation. The result being that the contract quantity was completed on the original contract completion date (within 3 months) and an additional 50% of pile quantity was completed only one month later.

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About Bauer Technologies Ltd

Bauer Technologies Ltd is part of Bauer Spezialtiefbau GmbH, a global construction company specialising in complex and specialist foundation works, with its head office based in the town of Schrobenhausen, Germany.

Bauer Technologies Ltd is the 100% owned UK subsidiary of Bauer Spezialtiefbau GmbH, the contracting company within the Bauer Group. Bauer is known the world over as a leader in advanced deep foundation techniques. Whether it is the manufacture of specialised equipment, giving specific advice or performing the site works, Bauer is highly regarded world-wide by both consultants and contractors as the perfect partner in deep foundation projects.

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