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Watts Tyre Group wins Supplier of Year Award.

Watts Tyre Services, the UK operating division of Watts Tyre Group, picked up the award of Supplier of the Year at the 2008 Fork Lift Truck Association annual awards held at the Hilton Metropole Birmingham on Saturday 9th of February. These awards are the showcase of the UK Materials Handling Industry and cover a range of categories including innovation, safety, environment and ergonomics.

Edward Woolley, UK Managing Director said of the award “We are naturally thrilled to be recognised by the industry for our efforts, we have always sought to be a genuine partner to the UK materials handling industry in terms of both product and service. It is fantastic that all the hard work that we put in through our depot network gets recognised by our customers and the industry as a whole.”

Jean-Paul Mindermann, Chief Executive of Watts Tyre Group commented “This is a great achievement for the Group; when you are market leader you have to work twice as hard to make sure that you deliver against the expectations upon you – I am delighted that the industry continues to recognise us as a leading supplier. We have been fortunate to win other awards in recent years, notably for our export achievements, but it is great to pick up such an award at home.”

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Company Information

Watts Tyre Group provides tyre and wheel solutions to global industry as well as associated services. With operations in UK, France, Germany, USA and Mexico and distribution in a further 60 countries worldwide Watts Tyre Group are a true industry leader.

Watts Tyre Group began manufacture of solid tyres in 1960 and today produce some of the industry's best known brands, Premia, Kargo and FMCX. Watts also produce a range of industrial pneumatic and skid steer loader tyres as well as a range of Polyurethane tyres for high load and specialist applications.

Our customers include global brand OEM's, forklift dealers and tyre dealers. We are the natural choice of supplier for our customers based on our focus, dedication and knowledge of the industry. We have 50 years industry experience as a manufacturer and distributor, a product and service range focused on the industrial tyre and wheel market and a partnership approach to our customers. Combined this means we are able to offer our customers a complete end to end solution based on a thorough understanding of their needs and the industry.