



ANNOUNCEMENT

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Gates wins Innovation Award at the Brammer Awards and Wishes Evening

Gates PT Industrial Europe has been awarded the Brammer Innovation Award. The award was presented at the Brammer Awards and Wishes Evening which took place in London's Science Museum on April 25, 2007. Gates received the award in recognition of our innovative belt drive solutions resulting in cost savings and productivity improvements.

The award was presented to Gates for our energy efficient drive solution offered to Alfred McAlpine, a key customer of Brammer.

After conducting site surveys with McAlpine at Yorkshire Water, a joint team from Gates and Brammer made recommendations to replace all the conventional belts on the blowers with Gates Poly Chain® GT2 belts. This maintenance-free belt is an ideal replacement for V-belt drives, chain drives and gears. The change to Poly Chain® GT2 belts will bring about a cost saving of thousands of pounds over the next three years.

The ceremony took place in London's Science Museum and was hosted by motoring journalist and TV presenter Quentin Wilson. Nominees for the Innovation Award included SKF, Siemens and WEG.

The award was accepted by Gates Vice President, Industrial Division PT Europe, **Tribby Warfield** and **Gary Price**, European Account Manager.

Warfield noted, "This recognition by Brammer and their key account customer continues to demonstrate and reinforce Gates commitment to provide market and technical leadership through product innovation that consistently delivers the best value proposition to our Distributor Partners and the MRO market."

Brammer, a leading European industrial services group providing power transmission components, engineering and other related industrial services hosted the Awards and Wishes Evening under the motto: "**Brammer – The Power of One**" to celebrate its name change throughout Europe since the beginning of the year.

The event featured a charity auction raising some £25,000 in aid of Make-A-Wish Foundation® UK which grants magical wishes to children and young people fighting life-threatening illnesses.