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Clayworks wins Excellence in Innovation at Chamber Awards bash

Clayworks, a clay plasters manufacturer from Cornwall, is celebrating after winning the Excellence in Innovation award, sponsored by the RBS Group, at the British Chambers of Commerce's annual Chamber Awards 2013. The Chamber Awards, now in the 10th anniversary year, is one of the showpiece events in the business calendar, highlighting the role of business as a positive force for the UK recovery, and for local communities.

Clayworks, a member of Cornwall Chamber of Commerce, was praised by the judging panel for its extensive research and design to produce a 100% biodegradable, toxin-free clay finishing product. This has now been specified for use in more than 50 Nando's restaurants, eco-towns in Cornwall, and the new Duchy of Cornwall development in Newquay.

Nora Senior, President of the British Chambers of Commerce (BCC) said:

"I visit many businesses up and down the country and I am constantly impressed by their determination, innovation and the contributions they are making to their local communities. With focus and passion, Clayworks has developed a fine offering in the marketplace, and is showing the world why Business is Good for Britain."

Haydn Thomas, Managing Director for Business Banking for South West and South Wales, RBS Group, said:

"Clayworks is a very worthy winner of this category, which we are delighted to sponsor. Innovation and sustainability are key drivers of the economy both local and national, and it's great to see a business in Cornwall putting these values at the heart of what they do. We wish them every ongoing success."

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Notes to editors:

The 10th annual British Chambers of Commerce (BCC) Chamber Awards took place Thursday 28th November at The Brewery in London, and was supported by the RBS Group, British Library, BT Business, Composite Legal Expenses, Dell, DHL Express, Qdos Consulting, Westfield Health and Utilitywise.

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