Aquatec Scoops Two Prestigious Awards at Offshore Technology Conference 2022

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Through-water communications and subsea integrity specialist Aquatec is celebrating this week after winning OTC’s 2022 Spotlight on New Technology Award and ASME’s 2022 Albert Woelfel Best Mechanical Engineering Achievement Award.

Basingstoke-based Aquatec, announced earlier in February as the winner of Global Underwater Hub’s Subsea Expo Best Small Company Award, has now been honoured with two additional accolades while exhibiting at the Offshore Technology Conference 2022 in Houston.

On Monday 2nd May, Aquatec received the Small Business Spotlight on New Technology Award for its KINEKtron® Retrofit Subsea Strain Measurement System, an innovative technology developed to measure and communicate strain levels on structural tubular members, pipelines, and other load-bearing infrastructure. The OTC-exclusive award recognises broad interest technologies that are innovative, marketplace-ready, and positively impact the industry.

Also, for its KINEKtron® system, on Tuesday 3rd May, the company received ASME’s (American Society of Mechanical Engineers) prestigious Woelfel Best Mechanical Engineering Achievement Award. The Woelfel BMEA Award recognises a company for a product, device, or system displayed at the OTC Conference that best reflects innovation and practical use of mechanical engineering in solving problems, improving design, or maximising performance.

Tony Mekky, Engineering Manager of Aquatec, commented: “With KINEKtron®, Aquatec has met a challenging customer requirement with a customised solution. It embodies an innovative technique for precise strain transfer. It combines that with our core technologies of high speed, extended endurance data logging, optical and acoustic comms, and innovations around attachment, installation and activation, all in one device. While this is one specific solution, the technologies developed and proven here can be applied to many future challenges.”

Agustin Riso, Marketing Manager of Aquatec, has said: “We are delighted to see that our most recent technology, which includes some of Aquatec’s time-proven and field-tested instrumentation, is having such positive feedback from the industry. Our KINEKtron® Retrofit Subsea Strain Measurement System has the potential to revolutionise the way we measure and communicate aspects that are critical for subsea structural integrity, and receiving these awards underlines the key role companies like ours will play in the years to come.”