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Ito Koki Wins Innovation Award

ITO Europe's Japanese parent company Ito Koki Co Ltd was presented with the 2012 WLPGA Innovation Award at the 25th World LP Gas Forum in Bali in September. Ito Koki president Niroh Utsumi and ITO Europe director Neil Ormrod accepted the award.

Ito Koki's technical paper Lpg Applied Technology for Seismic Hazards was chosen as the winner of the award following its presentation at the Global Technology Conference during last year's World LP Gas Forum in Doha, Qatar. The paper describes technologies that utilise lpg to provide a decentralised energy source



Ito Koki president Niroh Utsumi (left) and ITO Europe director Neil Ormrod.

after a seismic event and quickly restore the gas supply.

Neil Ormrod said: "Ito Koki stands for innovation and we would like to thank the WLPGA for this recognition. The products highlighted within the paper were the Ito Koki earthquake sensor and shut off devices and the propane/air mixers, which generate a synthetic natural gas equivalent and allow emergency

centres to get back up and running quickly."

The ITO Group also exhibited its equipment at the forum.

Neil said: "Great interest was shown in our cylinder housing systems, which are able to facilitate installations of banks of cylinders up to 10 per side, alongside automatic changeovers, meters and other required devices. We also demonstrated our changeovers with remote telemetry, earthquake sensing systems, synthetic gas generators, air heating vaporisers and many other products."

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Consultant Langstone Retires

RegO's European technical consultant Roger Langstone is to retire from the lp gas industry. Peter Roberts of RegO's UK distributor Re-Manufacturing Services Ltd will take over the part time role.

Peter said: "Roger Langstone, one of our

valve, which is still in wide use today. Rising to technical director, he was instrumental in setting standards and writing Codes of Practice that formed the basis of this industry's responsible approach to safety. Cylinder relief valves, which we



in the background, providing



Autogas Limited Acquires 18 Total Sites

Shell and Calor Gas venture Autogas Limited has acquired 18 autogas sites from Total. The purchases are part of the acquisition of 253 sites from Rontec Investments.

Paul Oxford, business development manager at Autogas Limited, said: "Autogas Limited now owns 217 forecourts and is installing

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