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COLE ASSOCIATES ADVISE SCP TRANSPORT SHAREHOLDERS ON SALE TO RSK GROUP



RSK Group Ltd, a leading environmental, engineering and sustainability solutions provider has strengthened its transport planning and infrastructure design capability with the acquisition of SCP (Singleton Clamp & Partners Ltd). Jeremy Cole of Manchester-based Cole Associates Corporate Finance advised the shareholders on the sale of the company.

SCP is a specialist transportation planning, highway and drainage infrastructure design consultancy that has been offering multi-disciplinary professional services to the private and public sector since 1991. Employing 45 people based in offices in Manchester, Leeds and London – SCP provides an integrated range of services to clients across the country, from advice and support at the earliest master planning stages of development proposals, through detailed assessments for approvals processes and through the implementation stages. The business also has long established expert witness relationships with planning barristers across the UK.

This acquisition significantly strengthens RSK's existing transport planning services and introduces a new suite of solutions in infrastructure planning and design – markets which are expected to grow in the years to come. SCP will retain its brand as existing directors David Roberts, Jim Budd, Steven Carmody and David Young all continue to drive the business forwards.

Alan Ryder, founder and CEO of RSK said, "We are thrilled to welcome everyone at SCP into the group. The expertise in SCP greatly advances our position in the UK transport and infrastructure markets, areas where we expect to see growth over the coming years. "Thanks to many years of consistent, high-quality delivery and a focus on strong relationships, SCP has earned a very good reputation with clients and the wider industry. With the additional support of our many related specialisms, we anticipate this will only be further enhanced."

David Roberts added: "SCP is a brand that we are proud to have established over some 30 years, and maintaining that brand shows the great faith that RSK have in our team and the successes that have been achieved so far. "We have a combined desire to grow the business further and the commitment to retain the existing SCP leadership and work together as part of the wider RSK business is a combination that provides a future that we very much look forward to."

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