

New airborne regulations may see hundreds of UK industrial facilities close

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The latest EU emission control regulations could leave hundreds of industrial facilities around the UK inoperable.

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Air pollution control experts Lodge Cottrell are hosting a [free Webinar](#) at 10 am on Thursday, 30 April 2020, to help businesses navigate these new changes

Notwithstanding the current COVID-19 pandemic, poor air quality is one of the biggest causes of premature deaths across the globe. Once the current crisis is over, poor air quality will resume its role as a major killer. According to the World Health Organization, 'Air pollution kills an estimated seven million people worldwide every [year](#).' On 30 April, Lodge Cottrell, the oldest industrial air pollution control company in the world and now part of KC GreenHoldings, will be hosting a webinar to help industrial businesses further reduce the amount of airborne pollution they emit into our atmosphere.

Policymakers are well aware of the effects of poor air quality and are introducing stricter regulations to reduce the emission of airborne pollutants. Lower limits under the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) of the EU are being set for the most harmful and environmentally damaging chemicals, namely particulates (dust), NOx (nitrogen oxides) and SOx (sulphur oxides).

There are well over 1,000 industrial facilities in the UK, ranging from power plants, mines, mineral processing facilities and chemical plants through to waste treatment plants, paper mills and food processing factories. Yet few of these are ready to comply with the changes to the IED regulations, which are governed by the Environment Agency and are part of their operating licences. Very many of these businesses are totally unaware of how they might need to modify their plants or operations, what budget they will need for this work, and whether these changes will affect their routine operations or cause unforeseen losses in production.

Lodge Cottrell has significant and relevant experience from working with numerous industries and analysing many process, gained during a century of supplying effective air pollution control systems to businesses throughout the world. Recently, we have engaged with a number of UK companies that have needed to improve their environmental performance or reduce their airborne emissions. Each business has totally unique challenges, which have required bespoke solutions. In every case, Lodge Cottrell has met the immediate requirement for improvements and future-proofed the plants where possible without interrupting the production schedules.

"It is obvious that many businesses are just not prepared for the changes in regulations and have no idea if and how they need to modify their plants to continue operating," stated Maurice Bottomley, Business Development Manager at Lodge Cottrell.

In an industry first, Lodge Cottrell will launch a series of webinars titled 'Meeting Airborne Emission Requirements Whilst Maintaining Productivity'.

The first in the series will inform manufacturers about a number of key issues:

- The changes to the airborne emission regulations.
- What technologies can be employed to meet these changes.
- Some recent and relevant case studies regarding the transition.

The first webinar will be held at 10 am on Thursday, 30 April 2020, and can be accessed by registering below:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1920786746577634573>

During this short webinar, attendees will learn about the changes to the airborne emission regulations, what technologies can be employed to meet these and hear about some recent and relevant case studies. Following this webinar, the attendees will be encouraged to contact Lodge Cottrell if they think they will need help or advice in cleaning up their operations and complying with the latest regulations while maintaining productivity.

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Lodge Cottrell is the world's oldest and leading specialist in air pollution control and now part of KC GreenHoldings. As such we recognise that environmental pollution, in particular air pollution, is one of the most important political and social concerns of the 21st Century. Air pollution is inextricably linked to major current issues such as global warming, human health and the sustainability of our planet.

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