



O'Donovan Waste have been awarded the prestigious Sir Frank Davies Trophy at the Mineral Products Association (MPA) Annual Conference and Awards. The conference and lunch, which is one of the MPA's most important events of the year brings together companies from across the country to celebrate commitment, progress and achievement in health and safety.

The MPA, now in its 10th anniversary year, is the trade association for the aggregates, asphalt, cement, concrete, dimension stone, lime, mortar and silica sand industries. It has a growing membership of 530 companies and is the sectoral voice for mineral products.

The trophy is for health and safety achievements in companies with fewer than 1000 employees and was presented to Jacqueline O'Donovan, MD of O'Donovan Waste at their Annual Luncheon. The respected accolade is awarded to a company that is judged to keep safety at the top of their agenda and who have the best safety performance through continuous progression.

Jacqueline commented: "I am absolutely honoured for us to win this award. We work hard to ensure that health and safety is not only a top priority at O'Donovan, but it is second nature to the team in every operation we carry out. We never stop learning and work with our stakeholders, from clients to our insurance company Direct Insurance, who have been an integral part of our success and assist us in implementing innovative change and share our vision on all round safer working practices. It is a fantastic achievement to be awarded this trophy and we would like to thank the judges and the MPA for the recognition."

Nigel Jackson, chief executive of the MPA, said: "The winner of the Sir Frank Davies Trophy for outstanding practice and performance for those companies with fewer than 1,000 employees was O'Donovan Waste Disposal who the judges felt had sustained their health and safety performance year-on-year, transferring health and safety from a mere priority to a true value".

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