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## AGR TRAVEL ACROSS USA



United Kingdom  
to  
New York

During the month of September, Mark Clark-General Manager and Jackie Berry-Sales & Marketing Manager of AGR Field Operations, Manchester, visited new and existing customers across the USA.

The main purpose of the visit was to ensure that our customers were happy with the increased level of service now being offered and were made aware of any new changes within AGR Field Operations, Manchester, from both a production and personnel point of view.

The visit was also warmly welcomed by our distributors in the USA, as confirmation that they had total support from the system manufacturer.

Jackie Berry says, "It was an overwhelming success. All our existing customers gave us great feedback, which we will take back to AGR. We could not achieve this without the dedication and hard work of all our staff back in the UK. Due to the success and value of this visit, we will be looking into doing other regions of the world in the near future."



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## BINDT 2008

AGR Field Operations - Manchester, were celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of supporting the British Institute of Non Destructive Testing (BINDT) at the recent conference held near Macclesfield, Cheshire.

This year's conference was held at the stunning Shrigley Hall, which used to be a private manor house and is situated on the edge of the Peak District national park.

The BINDT event always proves to be a flagship to our market sector - both within the UK and further afield. It provides the ideal platform to introduce new products and for new and existing customers to meet with us face to face.

The proximity of this year's event to our office based in Winsford, Cheshire, provided an ideal opportunity for other members of our team from all departments within our organisation to experience the conference and interact with customers on many different levels. This was also an ideal opportunity for people to speak directly to our staff who are involved in the day to day design, development and manufacture of the product along with our sales and marketing team who promote the product on a world-wide basis.

We are once again, confident that the 2009 Blackpool event will prove to be the "Big One" and we look forward to meeting with you all next year!



Latest TD Scan Software Version 17.05



## CHRISTMAS DONATION TO CHARITY



AGR Field Operations in the UK have elected to make a donation to charity instead of sending Christmas cards and calendars. I am sure you will agree with us that this is money well spent. Our chosen charity is;



[www.childrenin crisis.org](http://www.childrenin crisis.org)



## Exhibitions 2009

**BINDT 2009**  
Norbeck Castle Hotel  
Blackpool. UK  
15-17 September 2009  
Booth #38



**ASNT Fall Conference 2009**  
Greater Columbus Convention Center  
Columbus, Ohio  
19-23 October 2009  
Booth #227





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## ADGAS TRAINING AT AGR FIELD OPERATIONS

This past summer saw the first collaboration of AGR Field Operations, based in Winsford, Cheshire, UK, and Eclipse Scientific Inc., based in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. From August 4<sup>th</sup> to August 9<sup>th</sup> a training course on **Phased Array Ultrasonic Inspection using the TD Focus-Scan** was presented at the AGR Field Operations offices. The course was prepared and delivered by Mark Nel, Applications Advisor in Ultrasonic Technologies for AGR Field Operations, and Brent Zeller, Head of NDT Research & Development for Eclipse Scientific Inc. The class consisted of Nabil Shagar, Senior Plant Inspection Engineer, and Ahmed Al-Shehhi, Plant Inspection Engineer, both from Abu Dhabi Gas Liquefaction Company (ADGAS) in Abu Dhabi, UAE.

The forty-hour course was designed to give the technicians a grounding in the theory of phased array ultrasonic inspection. Additionally, it provided an outline of how to design a technique, set up and calibrate, and finally collect the data and perform analysis using the TD Focus-Scan. The principles of phased array ultrasonic's are common to all instruments available on the market, but a number of practical exercises and demonstrations gave specific instruction on how to use the TD Focus-Scan. The main focus of the course was inspection of welds, however the capabilities for many other types of ultrasonic inspection such as corrosion mapping or TOFD were demonstrated as well. As the main job for the equipment at ADGAS would be inspection of butt welds in piping, the course concentrated on instruction for that application.

The course was a success, with both members of the class passing and giving positive feedback. Eclipse Scientific will be providing more training courses for users of the TD Focus-Scan starting early in 2009. Eclipse Scientific have a background of training in the field of ultrasonic's and the TD Focus-Scan is being used in many industries world-wide so both Eclipse and AGR are optimistic about the future of their association.

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