Notifier protects landmark retail developments



...intu Metrocentre, Gateshead and intu Eldon Square, Newcastle choose Notifier for the best in modern fire safety

Two leading shopping centres in the North East are to benefit from the latest in modern fire safety and voice alarm solutions from Notifier by Honeywell. In the case of both projects, design and implementation is by leading Notifier Gold Partner and Engineered Systems Distributor, Trinity Fire & Security Systems.

intu Metrocentre in Gateshead and intu Eldon Square are owned and operated by intu and in both cases the Notifier solution will completely replace the existing fire safety system. The backbone of each upgrade is a network of Notifier ID3000 control panels together with an integrated voice alarm and public address (VA/PA) system. Notifier ONYXWorks graphical workstations also provide a single point of control linking the life safety and security systems throughout each site.

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retail developments," says Trinity Fire and Security Systems northern region operations manager, Andy Westgarth. "In particular, Notifier's easy-to-use cause and effect matrix is highly robust and flexible in effectively managing the detection and response to any fire-related incident, by enabling staff to handle thousands of events on the network at any one time."

First opened in 1986, today intu Metrocentre is Europe's largest covered shopping and leisure centre with more than 2 million sq. ft. of retail space, and over 380 shops and restaurants, together with an IMAX cinema and leisure complex. intu Eldon Square in nearby Newcastle was established in 1977 and is the UK's largest city centre shopping complex, attracting an annual footfall of 36 million.

Implementation of the new Notifier systems is already underway and both large-scale projects are due to be completed by October 2014.

"Trinity has a proven track record in designing and implementing fire detection and alarm systems in the retail sector using Notifier equipment, the latest being the large Trinity Leeds retail development. This incorporated advanced acoustic modeling as part of the VA/PA installation, providing step change improvement in the audibility and intelligibility of fire safety messages and other public announcements," says Derek Portsmouth, national sales leader, UK & Ireland, Notifier.

"Trinity's expertise, combined with the flexibility, robustness and cost-effectiveness of Notifier fire detection and VA/PA systems, offers a formidable combination in providing retailers, shoppers and other users with the best possible fire safety protection."



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