

VANDEPUTTE AND POWEO

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Poweo is a private Belgian supplier of electricity and gas which has been active on the Belgian market since 2014. It's a branch office of French energy supplier and producer DirectEnergie. Poweo served more than 50,000 Belgian customers at the end of 2016 and supplied them with 480 GWh of energy

Mr. Patrick Lallemand, responsible SQE at Poweo, gave us the following testimony about the Poweo/DirectEnergie project

What was the reason to design a new work clothing package?

The Marcinell Energie power plant was bought by the Groupe DirectEnergie. In Belgium however, we use the brand name Poweo. The name was changed, the logo was changed and now the clothing has changed

SYou finished this project with Vandeputte and HAVEP, how did the cooperation start?

Vandeputte/global safety is our primary supplier of PPE-products, they have always been our advisor of quality products. We have been working with Vandeputte for 6 years. For the protective clothing they suggested HAVEP, which presented examples of jackets and trousers that meet the 5 safety standards that are required for our line of work. First it was determined if the clothing was technically satisfactory, which was clearly the case. Immediately we were impressed by the models and thought they were appealing. Then we sent the technical specifications to our laundry for the care instructions after which the project was set in motion.

How did the project develop itself for you?

We liked the speed with which the project progressed. The adjustments of the drawings, the presence of a trial set to determine the measurements and the option to shorten the trousers, everything ran smoothly

Are your staff members enthusiastic about the clothing? What are the reactions?

Everyone's positive, they even took a "selfie" with the new outfit. The staff says that the clothing is warm (280 gr), but this is the result of the standards. To carry out the function of prevention and safety, clothing is recommended that's standardised according to clearly defined risks. Nevertheless, the clothing is well received by the staff

How do you want to summarise this process?

With 3 words: pragmatism, quality and speed.

