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## Versalift Appoints New Operations Manager

VERSALIFT UK, the market leading vehicle-mounted platform company, has promoted engineering manager Tom Johnson to the role of Operations Manager. Johnson will replace Dave Ruffett who, after 15 years, is taking a step back from operational responsibilities to focus on special projects.



*Tom Johnson, Operations Manager, VUK*

Johnson joined Versalift UK in January 2019 from automation and electrical installation provider WAGO where he was Engineering Manager. Prior to that he worked as Technical Systems Manager for CHEP, responsible for plant automotive and maintenance, and at Rolls-Royce in the Civil Aerospace sector.

Johnson said: “Since joining Versalift United Kingdom I have utilised my design, manufacturing, and academic background and experiences in the application of MEWP-vehicle conversions. The

role of Operations Manager now allows me to take on a time-served holistic approach in the management of the VUK Production facility. As throughput increases and technical nuances challenge the typical build parameters, I hope to solidify the foundation for future growth through investment in people and building a strong talented team that is driven to succeed. I am honoured to be chosen for this role and extremely excited for the opportunities that lie ahead”.

Johnson’s promotion is followed by the appointment of Chris Kelly as Production Manager, reporting to Johnson and also based at the headquarters in Burton Latimer, Kettering.



*Chris Kelly, Production Manager, VUK*

Kelly will use his manufacturing industry experience to help increase efficiencies whilst maintaining a safe and harmonious environment. Working alongside various departments within the business he will be responsible for implementing new ways of thinking and new processes that will help the business grow. Kelly said: “As VUK continues to grow I am confident I am the right person to grow with the business. Working with Tom I am sure we can achieve great things and I am excited about my future within the company.”

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