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Building company picks up top industry award

New Charter's Building Company has been crowned 2011's UK Installer of the Year at an awards night for some of the biggest names in the plumbing and heating industry.

It is the second year running that the Greater Manchester-based organisation has received the overall prize at the InstallerLive Awards.

It also scooped the regional award for the best Gas Installer in the north of England and its colleagues in New Charter Home were 'highly commended' in the Green Initiative of the Year for their work on the Chartist House District Heating Scheme.

Some 600 industry professionals gathered at the Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel to recognise excellence and performance across the sector.

The building company is part of the New Charter Housing Trust Group in Ashton-under-Lyne.

It carries out repairs and maintenance work for around 15,000 homes in the Greater Manchester area owned by the Group.

It also provides building services for many other companies across the North West both in social housing and the private sector.

John Corr, director of the building company said: "This is fantastic for the growing reputation of the building company and it was an honour to come out on top for a second year running and again being recognised as the best in the UK."

Ian Munro, Group chief executive added: "I'm very proud of what our building company has achieved and this award is recognition that the work we do is respected by some of the best organisations in the business."

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Photo caption

Members of the Building company collecting the award with host of the awards and comedian Rufus Hound.

Notes for editors

New Charter formed in 1999 as the new landlords to own and manage homes transferred from Tameside council in Greater Manchester. With a turnover of £90million a year and a workforce of 800, New Charter is one of the region's largest registered providers of social housing, and is regulated by the Tenant Services Authority, a Government watchdog. By incorporating Gedling Homes and Aksa Homes the Group owns around 18,600 homes. It was named in the Sunday Times best 100 companies to work for in 2011.

New Charter Building Company Ltd. was established on 27th March 2000 to support the biggest stock transfer in the country at the time. Nearly 16,400 homes were transferred from Tameside Council.

Building on 26 years previous experience, with the support of private investment, rationalised infrastructures, state of the art IT systems, new working methods and industry benchmarked pricing policies, the Building Company continues to grow year on year and are proud to support the local economy by directly employing over 200 people.