

HOW RAMCO HELPED MAGNOX TO REACH A NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING MILESTONE



About Ramco

Ramco
surplus sorted

Ramco UK Ltd have been handling the disposal and resale of surplus assets since 1992; growing to become one of the UK's foremost independent asset management and online auction companies.

We're specialists in end-to-end asset disposal services, providing businesses and government departments with a compliant and profitable solution for the disposal of unwanted goods.

With a focus on promoting sustainability, Ramco's offering encompasses the decommissioning, removal, storage, marketing and resale of items no longer required, helping you to streamline your operations, reduce waste and earn a quick cash injection; all as part of a managed, hassle-free process.

Ramco have an extensive database of buyers interested in procuring second-hand goods, and utilise an array of sales and marketing techniques to ensure that your assets are targeted to the right people.

Don't believe us? Check out our auction data from the year so far...

39
Auctions

67%
Conversion rate from
registrants to bidders

12,490
lots sold online

95%
sale success rate

An average of
247
registrants per
sale

Nuclear Decommissioning

Project Summary

The decommissioning of nuclear power plants across the UK is a complex, protracted process and an integral step in the nation's ongoing nuclear strategy. One of the UK's leading nuclear decommissioning organisations, Magnox Ltd, currently manage a portfolio of twelve inactive and incredibly vast nuclear power sites; each of which possess considerable infrastructure and complex requirements. Adopting rigorous individual project management plans, Magnox Ltd oversee the huge task of thoroughly decommissioning the facilities in a cost-effective, efficient and safe manner.

The 24-acre Bradwell facility, commissioned in 1962 and one of the UK's earliest nuclear power stations, became the first nuclear power station in the country to enter the care and maintenance phase in August 2019. In order to achieve this, the site had to remove large volumes of redundant equipment efficiently with optimal value and as little environmental damage as possible.

How were Ramco (UK) Ltd involved?

Ramco Ltd was selected as a chosen supplier of asset disposal services for the Magnox nuclear power sites across the UK. In the summer of 2018, Ramco commenced work at the Bradwell site, initially removing and transporting a 'backhoe' loader and road sweeper back to the Ramco facility; followed by Ramco continually returning to collect large volumes of miscellaneous equipment amounting to over 2700 cubic meters and 61 loads. With assets efficiently and effectively turned over, Magnox were able to meet the requirements of care and maintenance status and ensure that decommissioning of the site was completed on schedule.

In September of 2019, Ramco then arranged the removal, on-site auction and resale of various industrial assets from the Magnox Chapelcross site in Scotland. Assets including diesel generators & compressors, office cabins, lighting towers and concrete barriers were swiftly resold and re-utilised. Combined with the environmental and operational benefits, Magnox Ltd also received a financial return from the sale of the surplus goods too, helping to keep decommissioning expenditure to a minimum.

What did Magnox Ltd have to say?

As a company we have been looking for a solution to our Asset Disposal requirements for a number of years and have been in contact with various companies in search of our ideal solution - a 'one stop shop' for all of our disposal requirements.

When we contacted Ramco and discussed our requirements they were very open and informative about their offer and discussed alternative options for our disposal needs. Ramco also made us think differently about our assets, what use they have and who may be interested in them.

Ramco's offer to us and what they said they could achieve in the beginning sounded 'too good to be true', so we decided on a trial period at our Bradwell site. The trial was a great success and the varying items we sent amazingly Ramco were able to sell; helping us to meet our Clients expectations. This lead on to Ramco supporting us to clear the Bradwell site of all of its remaining assets and, thanks to their expertise, support and commitment we were able to achieve a major programme milestone in our lifecycle for the Bradwell site to enter into Care & Maintenance, the first of the Magnox Fleet to do so.

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