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MPA Launches New Safequarry App to Share Health & Safety Information with the Industry and Beyond

The Mineral Products Association (MPA) has launched the industry's first health and safety App "MPA Safequarry". The free App is part of a suite of health and safety related Apps planned by the MPA.

The App is designed to make the information on the Safequarry.com website even more accessible and interactive. Safequarry.com has established itself as the health and safety hub for the mineral products industry in the UK and is being used in 111 other countries. Via the App, users will have instant access to the content on Safequarry.com such as incident alerts, industry guidance, safety videos, latest innovations, toolbox talks and much more.

Kevin Stevens, MPA's Health & Safety Manager said, "The Safequarry.com website has already had a positive impact across the mineral products industry and beyond. But, the vital information doesn't always reach the people who might benefit most - those who work at an operational level at quarries, depots, ready-mix and asphalt plants, manufacturing and recycling sites, wharves and railheads. By reaching out to the many who have switched on to mobile devices for their web browsing, the new App can deliver potentially life-saving information to the widest possible audience. We hope the App will consolidate Safequarry.com as the go to hub for the industry everywhere."

Users will be alerted via the App when any new content has been added. This could be, for example, an incident alert or new guidance issued by organisations such as QNJAC, HSE or the Quarries Dust Partnership.

An operator, manager or contractor working on-site will be able to download and review relevant guidance, or watch a video highlighting innovative ways in which others have addressed a similar issue.

Nigel Jackson, Chief Executive MPA, said, "Health and safety is the responsibility of everyone working in the industry. I believe that by making health and safety information more accessible, this App will help to empower employees, contractors and suppliers. It will enable them to become more proactive in managing their safety and that of their colleagues."

The App is available to download through your Google Play or I Tunes app stores and searching MPA Safequarry, or by scanning the Quick Response Codes on the screen or simply typing the URL address in the search bar. MPA has also produced a short video about the App that is viewable on its YouTube channel here.

The MPA Safequarry app can be downloaded using the links and QR codes below:

- For Apple:

https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/mpasafequarry/id93203595 4?ls=1&mt=8



- For Android:

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The Mineral Products Association (MPA) is the trade association for the aggregates, asphalt, cement, concrete, dimension stone, lime, mortar and silica sand industries. With the recent addition of The British Precast Concrete Federation (BPCF) and the British Association of Reinforcement (BAR), it has a growing membership of 480 companies and is the sectoral voice for mineral products. MPA membership is made up of the vast majority of independent SME companies throughout the UK, as well as the 9 major international and global companies. It covers 100% of GB cement production, 90% of aggregates production, 95% of asphalt and ready-mixed concrete production and 70% of precast concrete production. Each year the industry supplies £9 billion of materials and services to the £120 billion construction and other sectors. Industry production represents the largest materials flow in the UK economy and is also one of the largest manufacturing sectors. For more information visit: www.mineralproducts.org

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