

## Laker-Vent Engineering joins Groupe M, opening a new chapter in its development

**Ellesmere Port, 31 March 2026** - Lakers is proud to announce its integration into Groupe M, a French industrial group specialising in piping, welding, and mechanical solutions.

This move marks an important milestone for the UK-based company, which will now benefit from the support and resources of a group employing 3,000 people and generating €450 million in annual turnover. With operations in Ellesmere Port & Billingham, Lakers has built a strong reputation for delivering high-standard industrial projects, particularly in demanding sectors such as energy and general industry.

Joining Groupe M will allow Lakers to expand its operational capacity, strengthen its market position, and take on larger-scale projects while continuing to rely on the expertise of its existing teams.

*«Joining Groupe M is a fantastic opportunity for Lakers. We share the same values & principles making this integration a very natural step. It will allow us to accelerate our growth while staying true to what makes us strong: our people, relationships & processes.»*

**Tom Ventre, CEO, Lakers**

Through this partnership, Lakers will benefit from a structured environment and industrial synergies, enabling the company to support clients on increasingly ambitious projects.

*« We are delighted to welcome Lakers to Groupe M. Their technical expertise and local presence are real assets, helping us strengthen our footprint in the UK and continue supporting our clients on challenging industrial projects»*

**Julien MONTEIRO, President, Groupe M**

**Key figures - Groupe M**  
3 000 employees  
€450M turnover

**Key figures - LAKERS**  
400 employees  
50M£ turnover



**About LAKERS.** Established in 1962 and headquartered in the United Kingdom, Lakers specialises in piping, welding, and mechanical solutions. Operating from Ellesmere Port (head office and main workshop) and Billingham (regional office & workshop), the company employs 400 people and generates around £50 million in annual turnover. Lakers delivers technically demanding industrial projects, particularly in process, energy and general industry, and is known for its reliability and technical expertise. For more information: [www.lakervent.co.uk](http://www.lakervent.co.uk)

**About Groupe M.** Founded in 1999, Groupe M is a family-owned industrial group and a leading player in large-scale mechanical projects, both in Europe and internationally.

The group built its reputation on high precision welding expertise, which remains at the core of its know-how. Today, Groupe M offers complete industrial solutions, covering piping, metalwork, mechanical engineering, project engineering, and inspection services to support complex and ambitious projects.

Groupe M operates across a diverse range of sectors, including low-carbon energy, defence, research, and process industries. The group has 32 sites across France and 11 international locations.

For more information: [www.groupem.org](http://www.groupem.org)

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