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Leigh Tool And Gauge Visit

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Purpose of visit, to assess above as a supplier of moulded parts to Viamed.

First impression is of a very run down factory in decline, with few staff, and old machinery trying to compete in an increasing technology orientated industry. They have one or two jobs that keep them going but do not have the machinery to be competitive in to-days market. Originally set up to manufacture mould tools branched out into moulding in the 1960's and using much of the same plant at this present time (suggested replacing hydraulic core pull with a spring). They are not ISO 9002 registered and are a bit vague on their quality system. The toolroom fares a little better, but is still antiquated by modern standards. I am afraid at this point in time I cannot recommend using Leigh Tool and Gauge as a supplier to Viamed.

Yours Faithfully

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