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Spider Provides Blade and Tower Access Solutions to Lankford Painting Company



Seattle – Spider, a division of SafeWorks, LLC, has supplied their modular suspended access platforms to the Lankford Painting Company to enable their tower and blade repair and inspection jobs on Siemens 2.3 MW towers at four different sites in Texas.

“We got four different platforms with just one 360° BAP configuration. It really comes down to productivity, safety and cost savings,” says Jim Lankford, President and CEO of Lankford Painting. “These reasons combined together provided us the value which we got from using Spider’s wind access

products and making our business successful. Siemens’ folks were extremely impressed with the ease in which we rigged their 300 feet towers and the speed in which we captured the blade, realizing a huge cost savings.”

Spider’s versatile modular 360° blade access platform is simple to install and can be easily reconfigured to meet simple blade inspection and tower access needs. Modularity makes transporting the system to site easier for blade specialists and WTG owners. It conveniently breaks down into pick-up truck loads, easily meeting DOT requirements. This trusted solution relies on an extensively field-tested, wide, stable working platform to improve workers’ confidence and productivity. The entire system is available for purchase or rent from 25 locations in the Americas, with after-sale service support.

“With Spider’s expertise in safety, rigging and training, Lankford Company was able to bring in the 360° BAP closer, could simply adjust to the larger blade tip with the manual winch, and could easily access the blade repair area,” says Clint Ramberg, Spider’s Wind Access Director. “Compared to other access methods, the Lankford crew was able to get the platform in the air quicker and capture the blade within eight minutes, significantly saving costs to their clients.”

To view the blade access video click here <http://www.spiderstaging.com/wind/360BladeAccess.aspx>

To obtain a white paper on ‘**Reducing the O&M Wind Turbine Costs**’, contact wind@spiderstaging.com

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About Spider:

Founded in 1947, Spider, a division of SafeWorks, created the powered suspended access business by introducing the well-known Spider basket. Since then, our product and service offering has expanded greatly to serve the needs of an ever-growing marketplace. Spider is the largest manufacturer and distributor of access and safety solutions in North America, serving more customers from more locations with a wider variety of products and services than any other company. From baskets, traction hoist and platform rental, to safety and training, to specialty-engineered products - Spider has a strong team of professionals, along with a national network of sales, service and support capabilities to provide you with the most reliable access solutions available.

About Lankford Painting Company

Since 1928, Lankford Painting Company has been a leader in the application of coatings. With over eight decades, it is one the few third generation, privately owned industrial painting contractors in the nation. Production, quality and safety have been first and foremost in the minds of the management group. By providing competent managers, skilled craftsmen, and the finest and latest equipment available to the industry, Lankford Company provides their customers the highest value and quality of service in the industry.

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