Hitachi Rail Europe wins award for environmental innovation

Hitachi Rail Europe’s flagship Ashford Train Maintenance Centre, home of the iconic Class 395 fleet, has won a prestigious environmental award from Japan-based Hitachi Limited.

The organisation’s environmental team look for examples of exemplary practice from across the suite of group companies.

Nigel King, Fleet Manager, Hitachi Rail Europe, said: “It is an honour and a pleasure to be granted Eco Factory Select Status and this is a result of the hard work and drive of the team here at Ashford to implement a range of energy-saving and carbon-offsetting measures.”

Measures implemented include the installation of LED lighting, the continual measurement and evaluation of energy consumption, year-on-year improvements in electricity and gas usage and the running of a paperless facility.

Nigel added: “We look forward to building on the experience that we showcased in this year’s award in the future.“