



Evenwood Industries ("Evenwood")

Evenwood, a metal fabrication company, based in West Auckland, County Durham faced closure due to the recession and the withdrawal of orders from one of their main customers.

In April 2009 John Twizell and Geoffrey Martin of Geoffrey Martin & Co were appointed Administrators of Evenwood. Prior to the recession Evenwood had an annual turnover in excess of £10m and employed 88 staff, which was subsequently reduced to 24 upon appointment.

With the support of the two remaining customers a buyer was found and in June 2009 it was sold to a Wolverhampton based metalwork firm, Fablink UK. During the first month of trading as Fablink Tank Systems the business had a turnover of £100k. Today it has an average monthly turnover of £1m and employs over 140 staff.

John Twizell recently commented in a [Northern Echo article](#) on the successful sale of this once troubled company and how important it had been working with the firm's customers.

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