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CASE STUDY

I currently work as Environment Coordinator for Technical Support Services at Eggborough Power Station near Pontefract, Yorkshire.

My career has developed over more than twenty years, starting with a mechanical engineering apprenticeship. I then worked my way through the ranks, from being a maintenance team leader to an engineer in charge of a production line. I attained IEng status in 1996.

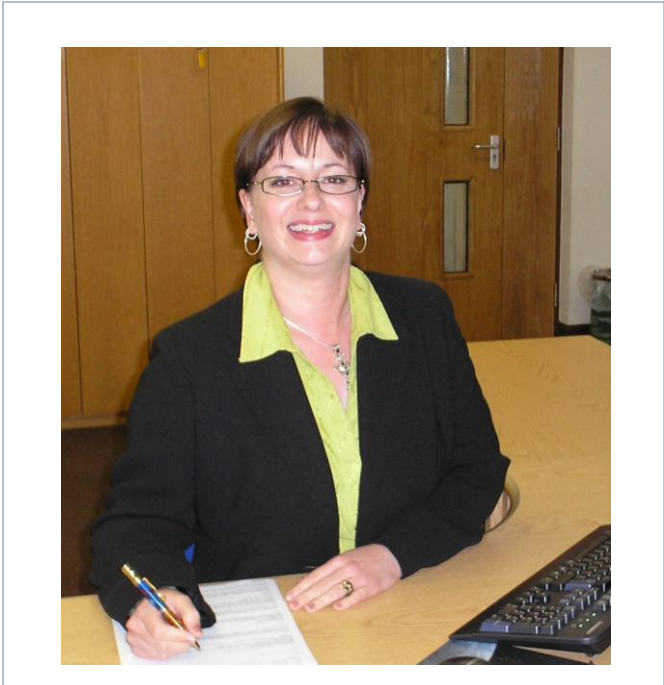
Not having taken an academic route through university, I wanted a recognisable qualification to demonstrate my abilities and experience. I submitted my application and had to write a technical report on a project I had led, which I then presented to an Institution of Plant Engineers (IPlantE) registration interview panel.

For me, attaining IEng status was not influenced by working in a male-dominated environment, or by a need to prove my worth. I was fortunate enough to spend my apprenticeship and early-qualified years working amongst engineers who accepted me as just another engineer. Their expectation was that I would naturally progress to join IPlantE, which is a Professional Sector of the Society of Operations Engineers (SOE), and consequently register with the Engineering Council.

I have maintained my IEng status whilst working in a variety of safety roles and, more recently, environmental management. In 2008 I achieved a NEBOSH Diploma in Environmental Management.

However, I consider myself an engineer primarily. Working as both a safety engineer and now as an environmental engineer, my IEng status has helped enormously. My career was built on a solid, traditional foundation. The IEng status, along with my experience and technical knowledge, underpin my more 'fashionable' environmental qualifications.

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