
From The Pages Of The Past . . .



In December 1969, when we bought a 25,000 square foot building in Bletchley (now Milton Keynes), United Kingdom and hired six employees, Allen-Bradley U.K. Limited became our first operation outside of North America.

This facility was established because we saw an opportunity. Many of our U.S. customers had manufacturing plants overseas. It was up to us to provide A-B products and services where they were needed. At the same time, we saw the need for reliable control products in emerging European markets.

Now, as Allen-Bradley U.K. Limited celebrates its 15th anniversary, the operation has more than 350 employees in a 100,000 square foot building and produces a range of products including industrial controls, programmable controllers and drives.

The opening of this plant marked Allen-Bradley's formal entrance into the international arena. Just as our operation in Milton Keynes has grown in the past 15 years, the scope of our entire international operation has expanded. With the formation of our International Division in 1973 and the addition of plants and sales offices around the globe, we continue to strengthen our capabilities to serve the world-wide market.