



NGK Spark Plugs (UK) Limited
Maylands Avenue
Hemel Hempstead
Herts HP2 4SD

Tel 01442 281000
Fax 01442 281001

www.ngkntk.co.uk



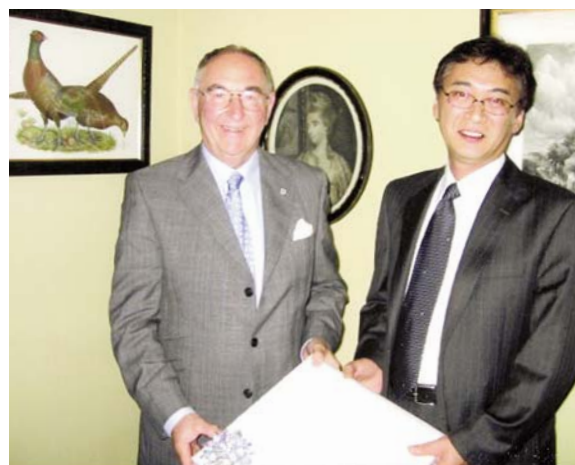
23 November 2006

JIM HUGHES APPOINTED NEW PRESIDENT OF THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE MOTOR INDUSTRY

Jim Hughes, Chairman of NGK Spark Plugs (UK) Limited, has been appointed as the new President of the Fellowship of The Motor Industry (FMI). He succeeds the late Lord David Strathcarron who had been President of the FMI for the last 12 years.

The FMI started in 1936 and is open to all who have engaged in the motor industry for at least 20 years, either in manufacturing, the automotive retail trade or any direct service to the motor industry. Today it has over 1,000 active members.

The objective of the FMI is to keep friendships from within the industry active, to meet new people and know something of them and their work in the industry and to preserve a spirit of comradeship. The basis of membership is personal, not corporate.



It is a non-profit making organisation and all proceeds go to the trade charity, The Motor and Allied Trade Benevolent Fund (BEN). Over the last five years the FMI has donated over £50,000 to BEN and many of its members are active on a personal basis in supporting BEN.

Jim Hughes has been in the motor industry for over 46 years, the last 10 as Chairman of NGK Spark Plugs (UK) Ltd. He is pictured (left) at a recent ceremony at NGK's UK headquarters in Hemel Hempstead to mark his very successful 25 years with NGK. Also pictured is Mr Kazunori Umemura, Managing Director of NGK's UK operation.

Mr Hughes was previously Chairman of the FMI. He is a Vice President of the Institute of the Motor Industry and Vice President of BEN. He is also a member of The Worshipful Company of Coachmakers and Harness Makers and a Freeman of the City of London.