



Interview with Greg Wallace, CEO of Master Plumbers, Gasfitters & Drainlayers NZ



1. What do you think about New Zealand construction industry in 2016?

Greg: Industry is very buoyant for our sector, Plumbers are in short supply and this is likely to continue for the next 2-3 years.

2. How can the plumbers, gasfitter and drainlayer be benefited from it?

Greg: Plumbing/Gasfitting and Drainlaying industry have been able to invest in their businesses knowing that the upcoming work will be available to the foreseeable future.

We still need to get more apprentices in the sector and encourage companies to take on trainees. This is the only way we will solve the shortfall in trades people in the industry.

3. There were counterfeit plumbing products reported recently. What people can do to prevent buying the counterfeit products?

Greg: Take advice from Master Plumbers Associated Businesses as they know the products that will last the test of time.

Be very cautious of cheaper products that may not meet the NZ building code.

4. Do you have any suggestion to the construction professionals?

Greg: We need to take advantage of the strong position the building sector is currently in always looking at ways to improve your customer interaction.

This is a time to invest and take the opportunities of the growing market.