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chain block, 5.3t collar chain, and load cell via shackles to complete the test. The Straightpoint (SP) 10t capacity wired load cell was utilized with a Handheld plus reader, while a Leica laser-measuring device read beam deflections. The first deflection reading was taken from the floor to the beam, before various loads were put on the beam and subsequent readings recorded.

The process was repeated at Level 1. Upon completion of the tests four electric chain hoists and trolleys, sourced from RSS, were attached to the beam for lowering of the escalators.

Connecting the City, Canary Wharf, the West End and Heathrow Airport to commuter areas east and west of London, Crossrail is a major new rail link project designed to provide a world-class, affordable railway with high frequency, convenient and accessible services across the capital.

BBMV, the joint venture encompassing Balfour Beatty, Morgan Sindall and VINCI Construction, will be constructing the project in three distinct parts including refurbishment of the existing Whitechapel Station in the Hammer-smith & City and District Line cutting, the new station bridge concourse above

the East London Line cutting and the new ticket hall behind the retained building fronting on Whitechapel Road.

Straightpoint Collects Sustained Business Performance Award

Straightpoint (SP) received the Sustained Business Performance 2017 award at Action Coach's regional annual awards ceremony, which took place at the Royal Maritime Club in Portsmouth, UK in February.

Action Coach, which helps entrepreneurs and owners overcome the challenges in maintaining a company, works with the load cell manufacturer on matters related to business strategy. This is the second time SP has claimed such an award, having won Business of the Year in 2014. David Ayling, Managing Director, was on hand to collect the prize.

Gary Mullins, Master Coach at Action Coach, who works with SP's team at its Havant, Hampshire-based headquarters, said: "Importantly, this accolade is recognition not just for a successful 2017 but for sustained growth. Against the criteria by which we judge businesses for this award, they were ahead of our other clients."

Mullins pointed to highlights that stood out SP in a competitive category, including delivery of consistent growth in sales and profit; successful performance over a number of years; the establishment of an organisation in the U.S.; investment in business assets, space, and personnel; and a commitment to the coaching process-



Gary Mullins (left), Master Coach at Action Coach, presented the Sustained Business Performance 2017 award to David Ayling, Managing Director at Straightpoint.