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PROFILE: CELINE MC CLANNON

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When it comes to running the accounts for her husband's electrical contracting business, Celine McClannon finds that Big Red Book is a live wire support system.

'It is so user friendly. You don't have to be computer literate to use it', she says.

Celine, who is the wife of AECI president Dermot McClannon, has been a

'Big Red Book' client since 1999.

'I had tried another accounting software package- but I found that I could not get to grips with it. Then a friend introduced me to The Big Red Book. I had a demonstration and found immediately that it was easy to use and could do all the work I needed.'

Celine uses almost all of the features of Big Red Book in keeping accounts for the Wexford-based company. 'I use it

to record sales, to track supplies, to keep track of the bank account, to generate invoices and statements, to make standard VAT returns and to produce data for the end of year accounts', she says.

She admires many features of the system, particularly its ability to source the cost of supplies which are charged out to clients.

'By using this facility I can identify the cost of individual items from the Purchases Book and transfer this information to client invoices.'

She also uses the Book Enquiry feature extensively to search the various Books in the system for specific information.

'At the end of each financial year Big Red Book provides us with all the data we need to send to our accountant who produces our annual

accounts and tax returns. As a result I never have to handle any queries', Celine says.

'In addition I can store all the books relating to our business for a full year on the computer, making it very easy to refer to any period in the past.'

A nurse by profession, Celine has been keeping accounts for the family business for the past 25 years. She says that many wives and partners of AECI members do similar work and she would happily recommend The Big Red Book to them.

'It is simple to operate and to understand and can make the job of keeping accounts for an electrical contracting business very easy indeed.'

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