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BIBBY DISTRIBUTION PUMPED TO WIN TANKER OPERATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Bibby Distribution has been named Tanker Operator of the Year at the Tip-Ex/Tank-Ex Awards 2016.

The 3PL's tanker division impressed the judging panel, who described Bibby Distribution as a "forward-thinking operator" with a safety-conscious attitude and a high level of customer service.

Vaughan Pendergest, Head of Tankers, Bibby Distribution, says: "Our approach to tanker operations is driven by the same core values that guide all members of the 200-year-old, family-owned Bibby Line Group – we work together, we always strive to be better, we commit to innovation, we do the right thing, and we trust our people. We are proud that our operations have impressed the industry, and set the standard for others to follow."

The 3PL's future-focused approach has led to substantial investment in its fleet. In addition to a major redesign of milk collection tankers to substantially cut fuel usage, Bibby Distribution has invested £1.2m in the latest tankers to transport products for confectionary manufacturing. Each of the 18 new tankers carries enough liquid chocolate to make more than 500,000 standard-sized bars.

Bibby Distribution's dedication to outstanding customer service is reflected in the action of its milk collection fleet, which transports one in 12 pints of Britain's milk. In December 2015, Bibby Distribution's drivers completed 99.5 per cent of scheduled operations despite intense flooding during the second-heaviest ever recorded rainfall in northern England.

This commitment to outstanding performance, even in adverse conditions, resulted in a highly successful year for the division, which achieved a 99.6 per cent on time in full delivery rate in 2015. Bibby Distribution has also enjoyed 100 per cent retention of its contracts over the past three years.

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Notes to editors:

As one of the top ten logistics providers in the UK, Bibby Distribution exists to enable other companies to drive value from their supply chain activities. The company specialises in providing contract logistics, warehousing, distribution, systems integration and added value services to a wide range of customers.

Bibby Distribution operates from 90 locations across the UK, employs 2,500 people and manages 2million ft² of warehousing space.

The majority of Bibby Distribution's business is based on long-term partnerships. Its diverse capability also means it can share best practice across the various industry sectors it operates in, from Automotive to FMCG.

Bibby Distribution is part of Bibby Line Group (BLG), a diverse and forward-looking family business with over 200 years' experience of providing personal, responsive and flexible customer solutions. BLG is a £1.7bn business, operating in more than 20 countries, employing 6,500 people in industries including retail, offshore, finance, distribution, shipping, marine based businesses, plant hire and woodland burials.

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