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BIBBY DISTRIBUTION RECORDS RAPID RESULTS FOR ROQUETTE

Bibby Distribution has successfully increased its on-time in full (OTIF) delivery rate for Roquette to more than 98 per cent after investing in 16 new tractor units, which have also cut the environmental impact of the plant-based ingredient manufacturer's supply chain.

The new 44-tonne DAF CF trucks, equipped with latest diesel engine technology, are part of an overall £1.6m investment by Bibby Distribution in its seven-year relationship with Roquette, which offers solutions to food and beverage industry manufacturers across the UK.

Each vehicle is 500kg lighter than its predecessor, and is recording an improvement in fuel consumption as well as a significant reduction in ambient noise – providing continuous improvement on the contract, which was signed for a long-term renewal in 2018.

Nigel Streatfield, Supply Chain Manager, Roquette, says: "The Bibby Distribution team is always proactive in suggesting improvements for the way we work and promised to make our logistics operations even more reliable and environmentally conscious.

"The results they have achieved in the past 12 months is a credit to their insight and investment, and we are grateful to work with a company that shares the same values as us when it comes to improvements, efficiency and the environment."

In addition to the optimised fleet, a dedicated Bibby Distribution transport team is based at Roquette's production site in Corby to provide direct support, handle day-to-day route planning and traffic management, and can rapidly adjust transport scheduling when required.

Streatfield says: "With the Bibby Distribution team on site it's like they're part of our business, rather than simply a supplier. It means they really understand our transport requirements and can genuinely achieve continuous improvement."

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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 2,000 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, a diverse and forward-looking family business delivering personal, responsive and flexible customer solutions for over 200 years.

Bibby Line Group is a £1.4 billion business, operating in more than 20 countries, employing over 4,500 people in industries including retail, offshore, financial services, distribution, shipping, marine-based businesses, plant hire and woodland burials.

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