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## **MV COMMERCIAL DEBUTS SUPER-LOW SUBFRAME CRANE TRUCK**

Commercial vehicle specialist bodybuilder MV Commercial has unveiled its new Volvo FH 6x4 crane truck, which provides more flexibility in lifting operations thanks to a revolutionary super-low subframe.

The vehicle, developed in partnership with Hiab, features a new subframe which sits 34mm lower than a standard design without compromising on weight, performance or stability. The unit incorporates a Hiab X-HIPRO 858 crane capable of lifting 4.1 tonnes at a reach of 16.3m.

The new design reduces the coupled height of the trailer to provide increased lifting capacity over the rear legs as the crane is closer to the cab.

Scott Bishop, Project Development Manager, MV Commercial, says: “Delivering a lower subframe that provides stability without increasing the weight has been a significant challenge – but together with Hiab, we’ve achieved it and developed an entirely new truck configuration that showcases our engineering expertise.”

Designed and built at MV Commercial’s hub in Airdrie, the unit incorporates an eight-metre rear leg beam from Hiab, and a full inner liner from the end of the engine to the end of the frame, for increased stability.

Bishop concludes: “Following the success of this project, which is only the first stage of our development work, our next goal is to develop an additional version which maintains the same low height, but with a reduced tare weight to increase potential payload.”

The new truck specification has now entered regular production at MV Commercial, with eight units currently in build.

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**Note to editors:**

MV Commercial provides sales and leasing for commercial vehicles, as well as specialising in areas such as crane truck design and engineering, livery and painting. Founded in 2001, the company currently employs more than 120 staff at seven sites across the UK, carrying a stock of more than 1,500 LCV and HGV vehicles.

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