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SCHMITZ CARGOBULL DELIVERS ITS FIRST UK-BUILT TRAILERS INTO TAPFREIGHT

Tapfreight, a speciality chemical and pharmaceutical transport and warehousing company, has taken delivery of 11 new Schmitz Cargobull S.CS FIXED ROOF curtainsider semi-trailers, replacing units from a rival manufacturer in the firm's commercial vehicle fleet.

The Barnsley-based business will pair the new trailers – built at Schmitz Cargobull's production facility in Manchester – with its modern DAF and Mercedes-Benz tractor units to transport chemical goods and general freight across the UK.

Bob Milton, Director at Tapfreight, says: "These are the first trailers we have had from Schmitz Cargobull and we've been hugely impressed from start to finish. The price point was very appealing and when I went to inspect the trailers, I was really struck by the build quality. Now we have physically taken delivery of the trailers that quality has been reinforced."

Supplied by Aaron Howarth, Area Sales Manager East Midlands at Schmitz Cargobull, the new S.CS FIXED ROOF curtainsiders comply with DIN EN 12642 Code XL load security regulations and feature a bulkhead specific for the British market. They are built on Schmitz Cargobull's fully galvanised MODULOS chassis which comes with a 10-year warranty against rust-through and have ROTOS axles covered by a 1,000,000km or six-year warranty, whichever comes first.

Each S.CS FIXED ROOF semi-trailer has a straight front wall for free side loading and tarpaulin tensioning, an XL load securing side curtain with standard anti-theft

protection and a Schmitz Cargobull aluminium roof which allows a side loading height of 3,100mm. They are also fitted with Schmitz Cargobull's TrailerConnect® telematics as standard, which provides 24/7 monitoring of the trailer's exact location, plus other important data including tyre mileage, speed and axle load.

“The lead time was another plus point for us,” adds Milton. “And the level of service we have received has been first class. Aaron has been hugely helpful, and the whole Schmitz Cargobull team has been a pleasure to work with.”

Tapfreight has more than 30 years' experience in the transport and warehousing of hazardous chemicals and temperature-controlled pharmaceuticals. The business has earned an outstanding reputation of quality and reliability in these highly regulated sectors, backed by ISO9001:2015, SQAS and an MHRA Wholesale Distributors licence.

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Editor's notes:

About Schmitz Cargobull

Schmitz Cargobull is the leading manufacturer of semi-trailers for temperature-controlled freight, general cargo and bulk goods in Europe and a pioneer in digital solutions for trailer services and improved connectivity. The company also manufactures transport refrigeration machines for refrigerated semi-trailers for temperature-controlled freight transport. With a comprehensive range of services from financing, spare parts supply, service contracts and telematics solutions to used vehicle trading, Schmitz Cargobull supports its customers in optimising their total cost of ownership (TCO) and digital transformation.

Schmitz Cargobull was founded in 1892 in Münsterland, Germany. The family-run company produces around 60,000 vehicles per year with over 6,000 employees and generated a turnover of around 2.6 billion euros in the 2022/23 financial year. The international production network currently comprises ten plants in Germany, Lithuania, Spain, England, Turkey, Slovakia and Australia.

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