## DACHSER'S NEW NORTHAMPTON LOGISTICS CENTRE OPEN FOR BUSINESS

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The UK subsidiary of one of Europe's leading global logistics players, Dachser UK, has opened its new integrated logistics centre and UK headquarters at Brackmills Business Park, Northampton. The 16 acre site includes a 178,000 sq ft purposebuilt facility is designed to help Dachser achieve optimum service efficiency for its European and UK freight distribution services. The facility will enhance Dachser's capabilities for cross-docking and contract logistics in particular.

The transhipment warehouse comprises 64,000 sq ft dedicated to cross-docking with 34 dock-level loading doors and 9 level-access loading doors under canopy. There is potential for a future extension offering a further 26,000 sq ft of space and an additional 21 dock-loading doors.

The contract logistics warehouse totals 114,000 sq ft with storage space for 20,000 pallets and 8 dock-level loading doors. With a wide aisle pallet racking configuration, this new facility will offer flexible solutions to customers for all their outsourcing supply chain needs.

"The move to our new premises was completed on 24<sup>th</sup> March and the first shipments from the facility have been completed successfully," said Nick Lowe, Dachser UK's Managing Director. "This is an ideal site from a logistics viewpoint with excellent links to both the A45 and M1. Remaining in the same vicinity as our previous operational base has meant that all our existing staff have happily stayed with us to ensure service continuity."

John Goodman, Dachser UK's General Manager, Midlands and North, is responsible for the Northampton branch and logistics centre. He adds, "We have seen significant increases in our European export and import volumes over the past few years. Our new facility helps us consolidate operations for our existing and new clients under one roof. We are delighted that our new contract logistics warehouse is now operational and look forward to further expanding our business in this area.'

Dachser UK also has branches in Dartford and Rochdale, both of which are seeing a steady growth in business volumes as the Company continues to increase its market share in the

UK. This growth has also been assisted by the opening of the Reading sales office in January 2013 which serves the M4 corridor region. More new branches in the UK are planned for the future.

Daily line-hauls are operated from all three current locations, ensuring fast and efficient direct connections with all European destinations via Dachser's comprehensive pan-European network. The Company offers reliable door-to-door distribution services for palletised consignments with all the benefits of track & trace visibility and online 'proof of delivery' and status update system.

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