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SBS Worldwide ready with fuel strike contingency plan

London, 29 March - Supply chain solutions provider SBS Worldwide is working with partner carriers to ensure its customers' businesses are not disrupted in case of a possible strike by UK fuel tank drivers.

SBS Worldwide ensures that all its carrier partners have contingency plans in place for a variety of scenarios as part of its contracting process.

It opened dialogue with its hauliers to ensure they were implementing the plans as soon as the strikes were announced.

SBS Worldwide Group Chairman Steve Walker said: "We would like to reassure our UK customers that we are taking all necessary steps with our partner transport providers to ensure that operations are maintained.

"All our road transport providers – from couriers to hauliers – are in the process of arranging the storage of thousands of litres of extra fuel at their depots to ensure they can continue to operate if the strike goes ahead.

"Above all, we want to make it clear to our customers that we will do everything in our power to ensure their supply chain operations are not faced with any disruption."

SBS Worldwide also said it would be glad to offer advice and guidance to any companies that were concerned that their supply chains may be affected by the strikes.

Fuel tank drivers voted earlier this week to go on strike in response to a dispute over pay and working conditions.

No dates have been set for the strike to begin and Unite, the UK's largest union, has promised to give seven days notice before any industrial action takes place.

There are hopes that strike action could be avoided - conciliation service Acas has stepped in to arrange talks between union bosses and the fuel transport companies.

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About SBS Worldwide

SBS Worldwide offers global freight forwarding and supply chain solutions to clients around the world. It has an established reputation for reliability, innovation and leading-edge solutions, helping to drive costs out of its customers' international supply chains. SBS's consultancy division, Virtualized

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Logistics, offers clients an in-depth review of their supply chains as well as state of the art visibility systems and management information. A privately-owned British company set up nearly 30 years ago, SBS Worldwide is headquartered in the UK, has offices across the US and China and has partners throughout the world. SBS Worldwide was named Freight Forwarder of the Year at IFW's Freight Industry Awards 2010 and won the BIFA Ocean Freight Award in the same year.

Mission Statement

'SBS Worldwide's central tenet is to ensure that its operations provide the highest quality of Freight and Supply Chain services throughout our privately owned company.

We will ensure that our customers' expectations will be delivered by providing the highest quality of service appropriate for each market segment served through our focused business units.

We will develop mutually rewarding relationships with our employees, partners and suppliers beyond their expectations.

Safety and compliance is the first consideration in all our operations.

All of our corporate activities will be conducted to the highest ethical and professional standards.'



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