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DACHSER UK has been granted full Authorised Economic Operator (AEO) status

On 21st July 2015, Dachser Ltd was granted AEO(F) status by HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC). The full certification (Type F) recognises that the company's organisation and processes are secure, and its customs controls and procedures are efficient and compliant.

The introduction of the Authorised Economic Operator is a key element in the EU security concept which facilitates trade whilst making supply chains more secure and controlled from origin right through to final destination. AEO is also part of a world-wide initiative to secure international supply chains and benefits from mutual recognition with other countries such as the USA.

In order to obtain AEO(F) status, a series of stringent audits are conducted to demonstrate a company's ability to handle customs goods competently, safely and securely. These include compliance with customs requirements, reliability, financial solvency and fulfilment of the relevant legal and safety regulations.

Authorised Economic Operators enjoy a number of privileges and the AEO certificate also leads to indirect benefits due to improvements in safety and security standards within the company.

Benefits of AEO status include:

- greater access to customs simplifications
- priority clearance
- reduced administration
- higher transparency through internal control systems: traceability of flows of goods, increased transport security, fewer delays in despatch; improved security between supply chain partners.

Nick Lowe, Dachser's UK Managing Director, is very enthusiastic about the company's AEO accreditation. 'Our successful completion of the very stringent audit process by HM Revenue & Customs is a great achievement and very motivational for the whole team. For our customers, our AEO(F) status provides a clear endorsement of our credentials as

secure and reliable logistics partner in respect of international trade.'

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