

## **Brakes wins multi-temperature supply contract with Southern Cross Healthcare**

Brakes the UK's leading supplier to the catering industry has been awarded the £6.5million annual frozen, chilled and grocery foods supply contract for Southern Cross Healthcare - the largest independent provider of care homes in the United Kingdom,

The contract is for a minimum of two years and will see Brakes deliver food throughout Southern Cross' network of 350 care homes. Brakes were already a major supplier to Southern Cross Healthcare and this new contract sees Brakes become the company's sole food supplier.

Talking about being awarded the contract, Paul Burton of Brakes said: "Winning this sole supply contract is a fantastic achievement. It is a great endorsement of Brakes ability to meet the expectations of our customers, when not only do we retain the existing business, but additional business as well. We have worked closely with Southern Cross Healthcare to ensure we are able to continually provide the products and service they require. This new contract will enable us to work even closer and continue to build relationships, develop understanding of each others business goals and ultimately deliver additional successes for both parties."

Gary Kinghan, Group Purchasing Manager of Southern Cross Healthcare commented: "After working with Brakes previously we are confident they will be able to meet our expectations. We required a supplier that is able to adapt to the changing needs of our business, Brakes national distribution network, the quality of its products and the commitment and attitude of its people enabled us to make this decision with confidence."

## Notes to Editors

1. Brakes is the leading supplier to caterers in the UK and France, with a turnover in excess of £1.5billion. Its strong understanding of the needs of the catering industry, combined with innovation in both products and service, has seen Brakes develop into the leading foodservice solutions provider . Brakes is also a significant supplier to the foodservice marketplace in France.

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