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Introducing Jeff Lasley, SVP Dairy, Protein & Pet Food

In line with the company's growth objectives, our New Zealand operations are now part of TC Transcontinental Packaging's Dairy, Protein and Petfood (DPP) group.

Jeff Lasley, Senior Vice President, DPP & LatAm is a member of the Executive Management Team and responsible for the dairy, protein and pet food packaging business in North America, as well as Latin America (LatAm) and New Zealand operations. The New Zealand management team will be reporting directly to Jeff, as we continue to expand our manufacturing footprint and pursue our growth plan.

"New Zealand is an important strategic asset of TC Transcontinental's global business with a unique operation that supports New Zealand's renowned dairy, meat, horticultural, and food manufacturing industries. As part of our global sustainability and corporate social responsibility goals, New Zealand will continue to promote sustainable packaging offerings for food manufacturers and the industrial segment. I look forward to working closely with the New Zealand team, led by Donald Lee, and delivering the best packaging solutions and service to our customers in New Zealand, Australia, and throughout Australasia. I am excited to visit New Zealand and Australia soon to learn more about our clients and meet with our colleagues."

- Jeff Lasley



JEFF LASLEY

Senior Vice President, Dairy, Protein and
Pet Food (DPP), and Latin America (LATAM)
TC Transcontinental Packaging

Handee, Purex and Sorbent take another big step forward with sustainable packaging



Some of New Zealand's most recognised household brands are leading the way with 30% recycled soft plastic packaging.

In 2021, Handee Paper Towel, Purex and Sorbent Toilet Paper were the first brands to offer Kiwi shoppers 20% recycled plastic packaging, reducing demand for virgin plastic and supporting the development of a circular economy.

While the shift to recycled soft plastic packaging presents a range of challenges including how it performs during production and limited availability of Post Consumer Recycled (PCR) material, Essity's commitment to innovation at its Kawerau Mill means all three brands will transition to 30% recycled content from August 2023.

By using 30% recycled content, Handee, Purex and Sorbent will save 60 Tonnes of virgin plastic per year; the equivalent weight of approximately eight large African elephants! Our packaging can also continue to be recycled via the Soft Plastics Recycling Scheme in New Zealand.

"We know Kiwis are passionate about plastic waste, so we are excited to be making our products available to our shoppers with more sustainable packaging. Our research into sustainable packaging options shows that using recycled packaging for Handee Paper Towel, Purex and Sorbent Toilet Paper reduces the carbon footprint of our packaging, contributes to the circular economy and reduces plastic waste." said Jake Hatton, Head of Sustainability for Essity's Australasian operations.

"We also hope that having more recycled packaging available on shelves will encourage people to drop off their used packaging at Soft Plastics Recycling Scheme collection points where it can be recycled into useful, long-life products," he said.

Essity's "cradle to grave" product lifecycle for these products has been independently reviewed (via an Environmental Product Declaration). Confirming that whilst packaging contributes to only about 10% of the environmental impact of our products when you look across the full life cycle, it plays a critical role in maintaining product quality and safety for shoppers. By having 30% recycled plastic content in our packaging we reduce our carbon footprint and make important progress towards achieving our sustainable packaging target of 85% recycled and/or renewable content in our packaging.

Look out for the new 30% recycled packaging products on shelves nationally from August. The new recycled packaging will also be supported with a TV and digital campaign from late-August until mid-October.

More information at www.essity.com.

CASE STUDY

Potatoes Packaging for Woolworth New Zealand



Woolworths New Zealand has recently launched their new range of premium potato across all its Woolworth and Fresh Choice stores nationwide. The new packing format is showcased with a vibrant design featuring its premium potato varieties that are grown and packed by New Zealand leading growers.

TC Transcontinental is proud to work together with the Woolworth team to design and manufacture its packaging locally in Christchurch, New Zealand, that is soft plastics recyclable and using less plastic, while allowing our New Zealand grown potato to remain fresh on display.

The range includes baby potatoes 1kg range, 2kg potatoes range and you can find them in all Woolworth (Countdown), and Fresh Choice stores around you.

SUMMERFRUIT CONFERENCE 2023



The Summerfruit Conference was held in Queenstown on June 7th and 8th. Andrew Ward and Ange Hyland attended to represent TC as an exhibitor and attendees at the conference to showcase our Cherry soaker pads and Xtralife liners to 200+ attendees.

The conference included a "Kick the Dirt" day on day one where attendees braved a typical cold Queenstown Winter morning and jumped on a bus to Cromwell to visit two orchards who kindly showcased their business and orchards. This showcased new innovation and pruning methods within the industry and a visit to NZ's first fossil fuel free orchard - Forrest Lodge Orchard.

Day two was held at the Rydges Hotel and was a day full of various speakers, who covered a wide range of topics.

Covering - insight from industry specialists, climate change, safety at work, mental health, overcoming challenges and a lot of giggles along the way from host Te Rada.

The event was a huge success after a number of recent challenges from Covid-19 and Cyclone Gabrielle.



80% RECYCLED CONTENT COURIER SOLUTION



Transcontinental New Zealand is proud to be supporting the Post Haste group as they continue to transition toward more sustainable packaging.

Brands such as Post Haste, Now Couriers, Castle Parcel Pass The Parcel are now manufactured using a minimum of 80% recycled, post-industrial plastic waste, which is 100% derived from New Zealand industrial waste PE.

The combine volumes of these brands, now dispatching stock in a minimum of 80% recycled content PE courier bags, is estimated to see 20 tons of waste plastic recycled back into PE plastic couriers.

It is great to be able to see plastic re-diverted from waste and remade into its original purpose.

At Transcontinental New Zealand, we're committed to doing our part in the supply chain and manufacturing with recycled content where we can.

It's important we manufacture and place recycled content back into the product mix wherever we can and it's great to have industrial partners like Freightways who are dedicated to working with us to reduce plastic waste to landfill" says Donald Lee, Transcontinental New Zealand's Manager Director.

Renew™

QUALITY TIMBER
PROTECTION NOW
MADE WITH A
MINIMUM OF 50%
RECYCLED MATERIAL

TC Transcontinental Packaging has revised their Renew™ timber wrap blend from a minimum of 30% to 50% recycled content.

Same quality print, same quality protection. 100% in New Zealand.

All recycled content is derived from New Zealand waste PE.

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TC TRANSCONTINENTAL PACKAGING NZ RENEWED ISO 9001 & ISO 22000



Our organization recently achieved a significant milestone by obtaining recertification for ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 22000:2018 standards through rigorous audits. This accomplishment reflects our unwavering commitment to quality and safety across our products and services. Recertification, a triennial process, demonstrates our dedication to upholding high industry standards.

The recertification audits confirm our adherence to stringent ISO requirements. Alongside these comprehensive assessments, ongoing surveillance audits provide continuous evaluations with reduced scrutiny.

This achievement in securing recertification for ISO 9001:2015, ISO 22000:2018, and GS1 standards underscores our firm dedication to maintaining quality and safety standards. These successes guide us on the path of continual enhancement and global standard excellence.



Food Safety
ISO 22000



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TC New Zealand is proud to be awarded Highly Commended again for Pride in Print 2023 in the flexible packaging category.

MATARIKI CELEBRATION 2023

On Tuesday 11th July – before the Matariki Holiday, Mainfreight treated our Chch Team to a wonderful BBQ lunch to celebrate Matariki and to thank us for our business. Their team cooked a delicious kai to enjoy together.

During the celebration we had a visit from Vicki -Anne Parker the founder of "NZ Gifts of love and strength" a chosen charity for our Corporate Social Responsibility scheme who TC support.

She thanked the team for our assistance with fundraising and donating towards packs for teen victims of sexual abuse and gave us insight on how our contributions help and where donations are utilised.

A special thank you to Karla Paul who works extremely hard behind the scenes with Vicki-Anne and arranged this Matariki celebration with Mainfreight for us.



BIG Thank you for being part of TC



JOEL APULU

46 YEARS

Conversion Team

Joel started with Uniflex Packaging back in 1977 in the original plant in Belfast. At the start, Joel was the sole employee working the 12-hour night shift, 7 days a week. Joel would operate a single-layer extruder and a simplex bagging machine between roll changes. Joel would often be visited by the local cop that used to check in on him.

Uniflex only started off with a single mono extruder and a side weld converter where all the bottom seal bags were sealed by hand on a hand-sealer. Joel has seen many changes, acquisitions, as well as staff, changes over the years. Joel's experience has been much appreciated whilst looking after the nightshift converting team and all its challenges. Sadly after 46 years, Joel is leaving his current role as a machine setter in conversion where he has passed on his knowledge and skills has been invaluable. Thank you Joel.

Phil Ball

23 YEARS

Extrusion Team



Phil, better known as "Pom," commenced his apprenticeship in 1974, training as a photogravure printer, during this time also gained extensive flexographic experience. Phil operated machines ranging from 1 to 8 colours in both gravure and Flexo processes. He also had a stint in cutting and creasing, embossing, and foil blocking using the letterpress process. Additionally, Phil has experience as a team leader and department head (pre-make-ready) at one of the gravure companies he worked for. In the year 2000, Phil emigrated to NZ and started working at Chequer Packaging in August. He went through various ownership changes, including Elldex, Coveris, and then TC. In 2013, Phil transferred from the print department to the extrusion department. We utilized Phil's experience to help set up and print inline timber-wrap on the old E3 extruder at the former Sturrocks Road site. Phil's expertise has also been instrumental in training print apprentices and staff within the Extrusion department. Pom is also well-known for his exceptional organizing skills, meticulous housekeeping, and a great sense of humour, often sharing jokes, especially "Knock Knock" jokes.

Knock Knock
Who's there?
A Broken pencil
A broken pencil who?
Never mind... It's Pointless.

Pom, thank you for your dedicated 23 years of service. We wish you a joyful retirement and all the best for your future endeavours. You will be missed by the TC team.