

EW CONTRACT FOR BOUGHEY DISTRIBUTION TO OPERATE CONSOLIDATION DEPOT FOR SOMERFIELD

NWF Group plc ("NWF"), the diversified sales and distribution business, announces that its wholly owned subsidiary, Boughey Distribution Ltd ("Boughey"), has won a new contract with Somerfield Stores Ltd ("Somerfield"). Boughey will manage a primary consolidation operation on behalf of Somerfield from its Wardle depot in Cheshire.

Boughey has considerable experience in this arena as has been chosen by Somerfield to consolidate existing stocks with a significant number of suppliers, predominantly from the North West region. The provision of approximately 2,500 additional pallet locations and development of a cross docking zone have enabled Boughey to offer a flexible and timely storage and distribution solution.

Graham Scott, Chief Executive, NWF commented: "This opportunity is excellent news for Boughey and we are excited by the opportunity that a major UK retailer has given us. We are fully committed to aiding improvement of their supply chain during this important phase in their development. With our planned expansion at Wardle and our sites at Winsford and Deeside we are increasingly being asked by big supermarket chains to act as their primary consolidator in the North West."

Richard Parker, Head of Primary Distribution at Somerfield, added: "We had a very clear view of exactly what we were looking for in an Ambient Consolidation operation. The project team visited many potential operators before finally selecting Boughey's. The selection of Boughey's was based on their considerable experience of Consolidation, their flexibility, their capacity for growth and not least of all the passion and commitment demonstrated during the tendering process to winning the business. The operation has now been live for nearly four months and the faith that Somerfield have shown in selecting Boughey's has to date proved well founded."

Larry Breen, Managing Director of Concept BSP Ltd concurred, saying: "Working in partnership with Somerfield, we quickly identified that Boughey Distribution was the obvious choice of operator for Consolidation in the North West. The operation at Wardle demonstrates an impressive level of experience, expertise and professionalism, which has been evident over the last four months as the scheme has gone live."

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