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VOLVO'S FM RIGID CHASSIS 'MEATS' THE HIGH STANDARDS REQUIRED AT TWOMEY TO YOU TRANSPORT

Established for over 30 years, Twomey To You Transport, the temperature-controlled transport specialists based in Grannagh near Waterford, Ireland has added another Volvo FM rigid to its fleet, supplied by Joe Baker, Truck Sales Executive at McCarthy Commercials Ltd.

Twomey to You Transport has relied on Volvo trucks for 20 years distributing pork, bacon, beef and fruit across all of Southern Ireland and the latest 6x2 rear-lift chassis is subject to business owner Sean Twomey's exacting specifications. As such, the most recent FM is powered by Volvo's D11K engine with a maximum power output of 380hp and a 5,600mm wheelbase as seen on all the eight FMs currently in his fleet.

"We retain our Volvo trucks for periods between five and eight years and all the repairs and maintenance are carried out by McCarthy Commercials Ltd in Kilkenny. The back-up and support we receive from McCarthy Commercials is 100 per cent, it's a very efficient business with people on the same level as ourselves."

The company uses a detailed specification for all its identical Volvo FM rigids, all of which are all fitted with 29-foot Chereau refrigerated bodies with Thermo King T1200R refrigeration units.

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Volvo Trucks UK & Ireland provides complete transport solutions for professional and demanding customers by offering a full range of medium to heavy duty trucks through a network of 85 dealerpoints, as well as solutions for financing and service. Based in Warwick, Volvo Trucks delivered more than 6,300 trucks in 2018. The company is part of the AB Volvo Group, which is headquartered in Gothenburg, Sweden and is one of the world's leading manufacturers of trucks, buses and construction equipment, drive systems for marine and industrial applications, aerospace components and services. All the Group's activities are based on its core values of quality, safety and environmental care.



"We have eight Volvo rigids in the fleet and all new chassis are usually sent straight to Chereau in France for body fitment, prior to being delivered to Ireland. That said however, we do expect a double life from our Chereau single compartment bodies, so some new chassis come direct here for a swap with an outgoing vehicle. That work is done by Fitzgerald Vehicle Body Builders Ltd in Cork," notes Sean Twomey, Managing Director at Twomey To You Transport.

As Sean explains: "Two FL6 rigids provided our first experience with the marque and they did well. We previously used the 330hp engine in our FMs, but the higher power unit is a logical progression."

He concludes, "I like to stick with a one driver; one truck policy as much as possible and our vehicles are back at base every night. Around 95 per cent of our work is chilled distribution and every truck is tracked via a telematics system that also monitors the load temperature. We always fit rooftop air deflectors, extra driving lights and stainless steel rear view mirror guards."

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Caption for photograph :

Temperature-controlled distribution specialists, Twomey To You Transport of Grannagh near Waterford, Ireland has added another Volvo FM 6x2 rear lift rigid to its fleet.

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