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VOLVO TRUCKS' PRODUCT PERFORMANCE STILL CRYSTAL CLEAR FOR TOPAZ TRANSPORT

Carlow-based Topaz Transport has continued its long-standing relationship with Volvo Trucks after taking delivery of a brand-new Volvo FH 540 Globetrotter XL 6x2 tractor unit.

Supplied by Joe Baker, Sales Executive at McCarthy Commercials, the new truck joins a 32-strong commercial vehicle fleet, of which 28 vehicles are already supplied by Volvo Trucks. The new arrival will be used primarily for container transport.

Neil Moloney, Transport Manager at Topaz Transport, says: "We've been firm fan favourites of Volvo Trucks for many years. Though we do have other manufacturers on the fleet, when you consider all the variables from fuel economy and reliability to comfort and aesthetics, Volvo simply delivers the best bang for your buck. We see little reason to go elsewhere in the near term."

The new FH is powered by a D13K Euro-6 Step E diesel engine, producing 540 hp and a maximum torque figure of 2,600Nm. Driving performance is delivered through Volvo's popular automated 12-speed I-Shift gearbox, which is combined with Volvo's I-See predictive cruise control system to yield additional sustainability benefits and operational efficiency via active speed management and perfectly timed gearshifts.

The truck's spacious Globetrotter XL cab benefits from Volvo's Drive++ package, including electronic air conditioning with a carbon filter and sun, mist and air quality sensors, dual armrests and leather upholstery.

Comfort is further improved through full air suspension, complemented by a one bed Living package, adding additional rear cab storage space, a 40mm mattress topper, and a luxury sleeper control panel, while Topaz has also specified a microwave.

A media package with navigation provides a complete infotainment experience, including DAB radio and a dynamic 12-inch high-resolution instrument cluster with an accompanying secondary colour information display. Also onboard are electrically operated and heated rear view mirrors and Volvo's distinctive V-Shaped LED headlamps to provide Topaz's drivers with a clear view of their surroundings.

A loyal Volvo Trucks customer, Topaz Transport acquired its first Volvos the same year it was founded in 1999. Since then, Volvos have been ever-present in the customer's fleet, with the firm continuously impressed by the manufacturer's product performance.

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“My father is Volvo through and through – I lose track of just how many models he’s owned,” adds Maloney. “His passion certainly played a big part in us choosing to go with Volvo in the first place. We’re very glad that’s proven the right decision time and time again!”

Topaz Transport is a family-run business, delivering across Ireland and into the UK from its Carlow headquarters. The company’s latest acquisition – arriving on a Hire Purchase agreement via Volvo Financial Services – is expected to clock up to 120,000 km annually working to a five-day-a-week schedule.

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Caption for photograph:

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