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Press Release

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OVER 3000 ORGANISATIONS ARE NOW CERTIFICATED TO THE BRC PACKAGING STANDARD

BRC Global Standards today announced that over 3000 organisations from over 120 countries have achieved certification to its BRC Global Standard for Packaging and Packaging Materials.

The BRC Packaging Standard can be used by any manufacturer producing packaging materials for all types of products - from food to consumer products.

The BRC designed the Standard to help organisations adopt good manufacturing practices and supporting quality management systems. This will help them to develop and manufacture safe, legal packaging materials that meet the quality levels expected by their customers.

The Standard splits the packaging industry into five material areas:

- Glass
- Paper and Board
- Metals – cans and foil products
- Plastics – rigid and flexible materials
- Wood and other materials

Joanna Griffiths, BRC Global Standards' Packaging Technical Manager, said: "The Standard was the first Packaging Standard to be benchmarked by GFSI, helping to increase recognition for all BRC certificated sites. We are seeing strong growth levels in our emerging markets like the US, China, and India with continuing growth in many of our more established European markets. Reaching 3000 sites is a testament to the strength of the Standard and the esteem in which it is held in the global packaging industry."

Notes to Editors

About BRC Global Standards

BRC Global Standards are the world's biggest provider of safety and quality standards programmes for food manufacture, packaging, storage and distribution. BRC Global Standards are generated with the help of technical specialists, retailers, manufacturers and certification bodies from around the world, so everything is based on practicality, rigour and clarity.

The BRC Global Standards certification scheme offers comprehensive support to help new and established businesses to achieve and maintain their quality and safety aims.

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