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## Priory Press Packaging achieves PEFC Chain of Custody certification

**Conlig, Northern Ireland - 12.11.2019** - Priory Press Packaging joined more than 20,000 companies around the world to have been awarded PEFC Chain of Custody certification. We invested in this rigorous assessment process to demonstrate our commitment to a sustainable future for the world's forests. This certification provides assurances that Priory Press Packaging procures folding box board from sustainable, legal and traceable sources.

Chain of Custody certification is the process by which certified material can be traced from the forest to the end-user. It provides proof that the product, or product line, being sold is linked to legally managed and certified forests. Stringent PEFC standards track all timber products and wood fibre coming out of the forest to ensure that they originated in sustainably-managed forests. Chain of Custody documentation offers assurances that each stage of the supply chain has been monitored closely and audited according to independent, third-party verification. This unbroken link offers transparent proof that materials have been responsibly sourced.

Priory Press Packaging are carton board packaging printers that specialise in lithographic printing for a wide variety of industry sectors. Working with markets such as Food-to-go, Health, Gadgets, E-Cig, Medical and Beauty & Lifestyle. The finishing services they offer range from biodegradable window-patching, foiling, UV varnish and embossing. They attained their BRCGS High Hygiene AA grade certification in 2018 and FSC® and PEFC certifications in 2019. They are SEDEX approved, Walmart Asda Ethical Audit approved and their packaging is suitable for direct food contact. All of their carton board is biodegradable, recyclable and compostable. They use vegetable-based inks, recycle printing plates, use low energy LED lighting, have a full recycling system including the recycling of used uniforms and have started to switch Sales staff cars to electric vehicles.

Commenting on the award, Mark McConville, Managing Director said: "As Priory Press Packaging Ltd. is committed to sourcing from responsibly-managed forests and is therefore proud to demonstrate its support for sustainable forest management by being able to provide our customers with assurances that the material used to make our products can be traced back to forests certified to a credible, international certification standard such as PEFC's."

Welcoming Priory Press Packaging's certification, Alun Watkins, who heads up PEFC in the UK said, "we are delighted that Priory Press has joined the growing number of UK companies to achieve PEFC Chain of Custody. Their investment in certification demonstrates both a commitment to the responsible sourcing of raw materials and to a sustainable future for the world's forests".

## **Note to Editors**

Priory Press Packaging offer a bespoke, tailored and personal approach with the help of their in-house dedicated design team. The Northern Irish-based company has developed a wide portfolio of clientele throughout the UK and Ireland and have over 40 years' experience. Some of their customers include Tesco, Waitrose, Dunnes Stores, Sainsbury's, Suki Tea, Field Day, Baskin Robbins and B-Perfect Cosmetics to name a few. Find out more: [www.priorypresspackaging.co.uk](http://www.priorypresspackaging.co.uk)

PEFC (Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification) is an international non-profit organisation promoting sustainable forest management. PEFC strictly assesses national schemes against PEFC's demanding Sustainability Benchmarks. PEFC's goal is to create a world in which people manage forests sustainably ensuring an equitable balance between their social, ecological and economic functions. For a video regarding the traceability with PEFC: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=l\\_1JX4sF5so](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l_1JX4sF5so). Today over half a million forest owners manage more than 300 million hectares of forests according to PEFC's standards. The PEFC label guarantees products are from sustainably managed forests. For further information visit: [www.pefc.org](http://www.pefc.org)