**Hankook Announce Winner of Technical Excellence Award at 2017 Motor Transport Awards**

* **Hankook sponsor the Motor Transport Award**
* **Tesco Distribution announced as the winner of the Technical Excellence Award**
* **Over 1,500 guests gathered to celebrate the achievements of the transport industry**

***Daventry, UK, 12th July 2017 –***Premium tyre makerHankook is proud to announce the winner of the Motor Transport Technical Excellence Award which was presented to Tesco Distribution at last Wednesday’s awards ceremony in London. Shortlisted companies also included Cemex UK and The Cartwright Group. The award, sponsored by Hankook, was presented to Tesco Distribution by Brett Emerson, Hankook Tyre UK Sales Director, TV Personality John Bishop and Sports Presenter Gabby Logan.

This year saw the 32nd Motor Transport Awards take place at the prestigious Grosvenor House Hotel situated on London’s iconic and stylish Park Lane. Over 1,500 guests gathered to celebrate the achievements of the industry and recognise innovation, outstanding service, efficiency and quality. The Hankook sales teams invited some key customers to the event, all of whom thoroughly enjoyed the evening, with Nick Vallance, Managing Director at W L Vallance Limited saying “Many, many thanks for a wonderful evening both prior to and at the Motor Transport Awards Ceremony.  You guys at Hankook are always such good company and make all your guests feel most welcomed.  Many thanks once again!”

Brett Emerson commented “The Hankook team always look forward to attending this prestigious event with some of our key customers, and as the market leader in the UK on Truck Tyres we believe this is the best possible award for us to sponsor as we are also at the forefront of technical excellence too. I think it is fair to say the entire evening went extremely well and we had some great feedback from our Customers, and may I once again congratulate Tesco Distribution on winning this coveted award. Well done to everyone on a fantastic evening.”

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Accompanying picture: Steve Hobson, Motor Transport (right), Brett Emerson, Hankook Tyre (second right) and TV personality John Bishop (second left) present the Tesco Distribution Team with their Award.

**About Hankook Tire**

Hankook Tire is one of the global top 5 companies in the mass production of tyres and manufactures innovative, award winning radial tyres of proven superior quality for passenger cars, light trucks, SUVs, RVs, trucks, and buses as well as motorsports (circuit racing/rallies).

Aspiring to bring consumers the utmost excellence in product quality, technological excellence and driving satisfaction, Hankook Tire continuously invests in research and development maintaining five R&D centres and seven production facilities around the world. Bespoke tyre solutions for the European markets as well as European Original Equipment according to the requirements of leading premium car manufacturers, are developed in the company’s regional Technical Centre in Hanover/Germany. Production for the European region is taking place in the state-of-the-art manufacturing site in Rácalmás/Hungary which was inaugurated in June 2007 and is continuously being expanded. Currently more than 3,000 employees produce up to 19 million tyres a year for passenger cars, SUVs and light trucks.

Hankook Tire employs more than 22,000 people worldwide and are selling their products in over 180 countries. Internationally leading car manufacturers rely on tyres made by Hankook for their original equipment.

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