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Unipart named as Logistics Consultant to Crossrail

Transcend, Programme Delivery Partner for Crossrail, has appointed Unipart to provide the Logistics consultancy for the delivery of this complex project which runs from 2009 to 2017.

John M. Neill, Unipart Group Chief Executive said "Unipart is perfectly placed to deliver this important part of the Crossrail project, as we combine our extensive logistics and rail expertise to provide a unique service."

He added "We will be bringing a constructive, collaborative culture to this project, which recognises the importance of the relationship between Crossrail and Transcend. Getting this right will create a seamless approach in managing the programme and lead to a unified structure which achieves success through influence. Our philosophy is that Crossrail and Transcend are the same team and this approach will drive the way we manage this contract."

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Notes to editors:

Transcend comprises three world class industry leaders: AECOM, CH2M HILL, and The Nichols Group. These in turn are supported by three highly respected companies for cost planning, operations and logistics services: Turner & Townsend, Unipart and First Class Partnerships. Transcend was formed specifically to bid for the Programme Delivery Partner role.

The Unipart Group employs more than 9,000 personnel worldwide and has an annual turnover of more than £1billion. It is one of Europe's leading logistics companies and a widely-recognised pioneer in the field of Lean implementation.

Operating across a range of market sectors, including automotive, leisure, marine, manufacturing, mobile telecoms, rail, retail and technology, Unipart offers a breadth of services from third party logistics to expert consultancy.

All Unipart sites operate according to the Group's proprietary version of Lean known as The Unipart Way. This is a philosophy of working underpinned by tools and techniques that inspires efficiency, flexibility and outstanding customer service in any process.

Unipart also offers expert consultancy in implementing Lean principles and in supply chain management across a variety of industry sectors.

The Group's clients include Halfords, ASOS.com, Homebase, Vodafone, 3, BSkyB, Jaguar, Severn Trent Water and HMRC.