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NEW VOLVO FM TRIDEM JOINS HILLS WASTE SOLUTIONS COLLECTION FLEET

A new Volvo FM 8x4 Tridem is the latest addition to the waste collection fleet of Wiltshire-based Hills Waste Solutions, a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Hills Group Limited. The FM Tridem was supplied by Truck and Bus Wales & West, Swindon.

The FM Tridem is used to collect waste from businesses in the Wiltshire area. "In the past, we used the standard 8x4 rigid chassis," explains Chris Boyd, Depot Manager Hills Waste Solutions.

"However, the potential for overloading the rear axles has made us look for a better solution. By moving to the Tridem configuration, the problem of the potential for overloading the rear axles has been resolved."



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“The best thing about the new FM 8x4 Tridem, from the driver’s point of view, is that it is so manoeuvrable,” continues Chris Boyd. “That makes it safer in rural areas - or urban areas where there may be parked cars. Visibility from the new cab has been improved over the old model FM too. Hills Waste Solutions were the first in the UK to operate the Tridem configuration nearly ten years ago, but these latest Tridems are a big improvement over the old FM Tridems, which were very good in their day too – but nowhere near as good as this latest version.”

The FM 8x4 Tridem that has gone into service with Hills Waste Solutions was specified with the 13-litre D13K420 engine, rated at 420hp, and Volvo’s I-Shift automated gearbox.

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Notes for Editors :

1. Hills Waste Solutions offers a range of specialist waste management and recycling services to both the public and private sector. It is a dynamic regional business which, while centred on Wiltshire, has stretched its boundaries into neighbouring areas to become one of the region’s largest providers of waste solutions.
2. Hills Waste Solutions is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Hills Group Limited, a privately owned family company established in 1900.
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