

SALES AND MARKETING DIRECTOR APPOINTED AT CLONDALKIN GROUP

Clondalkin Group has appointed Malcolm Farnan as Sales and Marketing Director of the Group's Specialist Packaging Division.

Farnan, originally from County Durham UK, will be based at the Group's headquarters in Amsterdam and will spearhead the sales development of the Specialist Packaging Division across Europe. He brings with him 20 years successful international sales and marketing experience, having previously worked with various prominent global brands.

Working with all the European operations within the Division, Farnan will direct the sales and marketing effort in respect of key business development projects in the pharmaceutical, healthcare and cosmetic markets, as well as leading the many initiatives to further enhance the full service offerings to the Division's customers.

Commenting on his appointment, he said: Clondalkin is an excellent company with a growing reputation and fantastic opportunities to build on its strong financial and operational performance through innovative marketing and sales effectiveness in the pharma and healthcare sectors. It has great people, a fresh attitude and solid operations.

David Lennon, Chief Executive Officer of Clondalkin Group Specialist Packaging Division, said: We welcome Malcolm and we are confident he will prove a great asset to our team. Malcolm's track record speaks for itself and he will play a crucial part in delivering a strong proposition of the highest standards for our customers.

Our focus at Clondalkin Group Specialist Packaging Division is to develop our strong leadership positions in the pharmaceutical, healthcare and cosmetic packaging sectors, where we operate advanced technologies in the manufacture and supply of quality cartons, labels, leaflets and inserts. With Malcolm on board we are well placed to build on these strengths to advance our business in supplying better packaging solutions to our customers throughout Europe.

Norbert McDermott, Clondalkin's Chief Executive, welcomed the appointment stating: Clondalkin has been strengthening its management resources across all Business Units and Divisions as it prepares for the next phase of the Group's expansion both in Europe and North America. Specifically in the pharmaceutical and healthcare sector in Europe we have moved from having three accredited sites to eight in the last 18 months. In North America, we are the leading supplier of secondary pharmaceutical packaging from our six accredited plants there.

Clondalkin Group's Specialist Packaging Division specialises in cartons, labels, leaflets and inserts, and has approximately 20 manufacturing sites in the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Spain,

Poland, the United States and Puerto Rico and Ireland. These include well-known brands such as Boxes, Harlands, Ditone, Pharmagraphics Guy, Kenilworth Products, Cartonplex and Keller Crescent.

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