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**United Kingdom scheme for approval of Method 2 Shippers under SOLAS VI Regulation 2 para 5 for determining the Verified Gross Mass (VGM) of packed containers**

Thank you for your application for the MCA to approve your method for verifying the gross mass of a container.

Your application has been approved. The following document provides your approval number.

This number will be recorded on a central public database administered by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA), which is available from the Gov.UK website, and can be used by the shipping industry to verify any VGM you submit.

The packed containers must have the verified gross mass (VGM) stated on the shipping document. The shipping document must be signed by a duly authorised person.

This approval is based upon the information you submitted to the MCA, and the VGM of any packed container is granted on the basis you have followed these procedures.

Weighing equipment must remain calibrated to the standards you declared in your application and must be maintained by a competent person.

You must remain compliant and up-to-date with any auditing process (internal and/or external) you have declared as part of your method 2 application.

You must notify the MCA as soon as reasonably possible of any significant changes.

You can apply for renewal any time within 6 months of the expiry date of your certificate. Please contact us at any time if you have any queries.

Best regards

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**VGM Approval Number – 0176/GB/0719**

This document confirms that based upon the information provided, the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) has approved the company named below as a Method 2 shipper:

Williams Refrigeration  
Bryggen Road,  
North Lynn Industrial Estate  
King's Lynn,  
Norfolk  
PE30 2HZ

Person responsible: Jeannie Adkin

**Conditions**

1. This document is only valid for containers packed in, and exported from, the UK
2. The shipper remains legally liable under the regulation to obtain the VGM. Where operational tasks have been contracted out, the shipper doing so should ensure that they perform due diligence on the 3<sup>rd</sup> party service provider to ensure that they are compliant with the regulation and are able to carry out the services.
3. Any changes of company name, persons responsible, substantive changes to the procedures used, (such as the addition or removal of sites; changing weighing equipment used on site; alteration or lapse of any declared auditing process etc.) must be notified to the MCA within two weeks of the changes taking place. Dependent upon the nature of the changes, the approval document may or may not be updated (as appropriate). Where amendments are necessary, this service may be charged for.
4. Details of all Method 2 Approvals will be recorded on a central public database administered by the MCA, which is available from the Gov.UK website.

**Revocation of Approval**

This approval could be revoked at any time if the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) discovers the processes submitted for approval have changed or are not being followed. This may be, but is not limited to, notification to the MCA of a mis-declaration of a gross mass by the shipper named above.

Issue Date: 21 <sup>th</sup> June 2016	Name: W. HARDING
Expiry Date: 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2019	Signed: 