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**Minutes of the meeting of the BTMA retread committee held on
 17th November 2020 by video-conference**

Present:					
Chris Baxter	<i>Hankook Tyre UK Ltd</i>	Dan Edwards	<i>Bulldog Remoulds Ltd</i>	Justin Holloway	<i>Bandvulc</i>
Azeem Khan	<i>Michelin Tyre plc</i>				
Apologies:					
Mike Cole	<i>Michelin Tyre plc</i>	Dan Collins	<i>TTS</i>		
In attendance:					
Graham Willson	<i>BTMA Chief Executive</i>				

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham welcomed participants to the call, in particular Chris Baxter representing Hankook. Apologies were received from Mike Cole.	Noted.

2. Compliance statement

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham reminded members of their responsibilities under the BTMA Competition law compliance guidelines.	Members agreed to abide by the requirements of the guidelines.

3. Minutes of the meeting held 8th September 2020

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
The minutes of the meeting held 8 th September were reviewed.	The minutes were validated unanimously.

4. Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda: none

5. Government engagement

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham reported on the following topics: Defra Waste prevention plan, DfT Tyre labelling, DVSA Truck tyre guidance, Environment Agency Forest products consultation, Environment Agency consultation on Appropriate measures for permitted facilities and Environment Agency future of T8 exemption. See meeting slide deck for details.	Noted.
Centre of Excellence for value retention: Graham summarised dialogue with Innovate UK who are developing the proposal on behalf of BEIS. The wide-ranging proposal would offer funding principally for technical research and innovation but the scope does include social and behavioural aspects that might be of relevance to tyre market behaviour. Funding decision has been delayed due to deferral of the Comprehensive Spending Review.	Noted.

6. Bipaver update

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Dan confirmed that RMA membership of Bipaver had been renewed for 2020 and that Bipaver had accepted the BTMA decision not to renew for 2021.	Noted.

7. Transfrontier casing trade

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham reviewed the impact of Brexit on the transfrontier trade in casings. See meeting slide deck.	Members concerned by the issues raised should pursue the topic internally.

8. BTMA website & retread content

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
The revised content regarding retreading was approved. Graham invited those who had not already done so to consider contributing images.	Dan agreed to supply images (of buffing and cold cure building, in particular).

9. Future casing trade working party

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Az updated participants on developments, indicating that a launch meeting in January was likely.	Noted.

10. Review of committee function & Terms of Reference

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Members reviewed the function of the committee.	Members were satisfied with the working of the committee and had no suggestions for further improvement. The ToR were confirmed.

11. 2020 Review

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham presented a review of the delivery of the 2020 plan.	Members were satisfied by the outcome, given the adverse circumstances.

12. 2021 Activity plan

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham proposed an initial draft for the 2021 plan.	Members agreed to enrich the plan at the next meeting in light of the Brexit negotiations.

13. 2021 Meeting calendar

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham proposed to maintain the bi-monthly meeting format and proposed dates for meetings in 2021: 19 th January, 16 th March, 18 th May, 13 th July, 14 th September, 16 th November.	Members to revert if proposed dates don't suit.

14. Any other urgent business

<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Graham sought clarification re retreading of FRT tyres and reported the announcement of the promised tax on plastic packaging with less than 30% recycled content. This could be a useful model for retreaded tyres.	Noted.