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**Minutes of the meeting of the BTMA retread committee held on
 18th May 2021 by video-conference**

Present:					
Chris Baxter	Hankook Tyre UK Ltd	Dan Edwards	Bulldog Remoulds Ltd	Dave Johnson	Michelin Tyre plc
Azeem Khan	Michelin Tyre plc	Daniel Kinch	Tuf Treads		
Apologies:					
Dan Collins	TTS	Bob Darling	PB Tyres	Justin Holloway	Bandvulc
In attendance:					
Graham Willson	BTMA Chief Executive				

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Discussion	Decision
Graham welcomed participants to the call, particularly Dave Johnson who has replaced Mike Cole at Michelin.	Noted.

2. Compliance statement

Discussion	Decision
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 16th March 2021

Discussion	Decision
The minutes of the meeting held 16 th March were reviewed.	The minutes were validated unanimously.

4. Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda: none

5. Website analytics

Discussion	Decision
Graham reported that traffic on the BTMA website had increased by 180% between Q1 2020 and Q1 2021. Visits to the retread page over the same period had increased by 83%.	Noted.

6. Casing supply chain working party

Discussion	Decision
Graham reported the latest indications that Defra would probably not bring forward proposals for EPR for tyres before 2023. Despite this, it was agreed that it would be desirable for the working party to complete the targeted description of the casing supply chain by end 2021.	Az and Dan Edwards (Chair and secretary of the WG) to issue minutes of the March meeting ASAP.

7. Tariffs on international casing movements

Discussion	Decision
Graham reported discussions supported by SMMT with Depts for Business, International Trade, etc. Of the solutions available, the most likely appears to be end-user exemption via temporary tariff suspension. Stakeholder applications for this are expected to open early June.	Graham to report to members concerned when applications are opened.

8. Waste Prevention Plan

Discussion	Decision
Graham indicated that the draft WPP contained several high-level policy orientations favourable to retreading. BTMA will be pushing for stronger action to influence retailer and consumer behaviour in favour of retreading.	Noted.

9. Waste tracking project

Discussion	Decision
Graham shared a brief overview presentation from the project team. Roll-out is expected to start in 2022.	Noted.

10. 2021 Activity plan

Discussion	Decision
Graham provided an update on delivery of the activity plan. See Annex.	Keep trade events under review.

11. Any other urgent business

Discussion	Decision
Graham reported interest from international consultancy Eunomia in producing a study into policy measures supportive of retreading.	Graham to pursue in collaboration with ETRMA.
Dan Kinch requested clarification regarding 3PMSF markings when the replacement tread is not 3PMSF certified. Members agreed that the marking should be removed in this circumstance.	Graham to check that this advice has been given by principal PCT suppliers to their customers.

Date of next meeting: 13th July – 10:30 – 12:30



BTMA retread committee work plan 2021

18-May-21

Subject	Delivery				Comment
	Q1'21	Q2'21	Q3'21	Q4'21	
5-year retread strategy					
Message re COP26 / decarbonisation / Forest products					Message in preparation
Define & promote preferred future regulation of casing trade					Working party launched
Engage DfT re improved tyre stewardship in smaller fleets					Dialogue initiated
Engage BEIS / Defra re retailer & customer behaviour change					WPP & Product Value Retention
Engage DfT / Defra re tyres-as-a-service (data access, etc)					Dialogue initiated
Communication					
Review participation at Trade events. Consider retread event					Maintain under review
Reduce regulatory burden for retreaders					
Avoid unduly onerous environmental permitting for retreaders					Gov't consultation responses pending
Relief from Climate Change Levy for retreaders					
Collate member data once future eligibility criteria are known					Waiting eligibility criteria
Build case around RWS, decarbonisation, forest products, etc					
Deliver message in function of CCA strategic review					
Collation & presentation of UK retread data					
Collate & anonymise annual production data					GW to poll members