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FROM FIELD TO FACTORY: FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF BREAKTHROUGH GREEN FUEL INITIATIVE AT BENTLEY HEADQUARTERS IN CREWE

- **On-site biofuel tank cuts CO₂ emissions by 233 tonnes in 12 months**
- **Bentley logistics vehicles use 100,000 litres of fossil-free alternative to diesel in just one year**
- **Significantly reduced emissions registered from 'Green D+' hydrotreated waste vegetable oil fuel (HVO)**
- **Equivalent off-setting would require over 23,000 newly-planted trees**
- **Progress towards Bentley's pioneering Beyond100 goal to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030**

(Crewe, 13 December 2022) Bentley Motors is celebrating the first anniversary of its breakthrough logistics project to significantly reduce CO₂ emissions at the company's headquarters in Crewe, England, where all Bentley models are built. The installation of an on-site, 34,000-litre biofuel tank and pump has dramatically cut CO₂ output from local logistics vehicles by 233 tonnes in just 12 months. As a result of the initiative, Bentley can now run its in-house logistics fleet on 100 per cent green energy.

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The 'Green D+' biofuel is made from hydrotreated waste vegetable oil (HVO), a fossil-free alternative to diesel that refines renewable and sustainable products such as waste fats, vegetables and oil. It now powers fifteen HGV logistics trucks carrying parts between Crewe and a company storage depot in Winsford, plus a further 20 smaller, on-site vans and security vehicles.

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Bentley logistics vehicles have used over 100,000 litres of the waste-based fuel since the new tank and pump were installed in late November 2020. To offset the same amount of CO₂ – a saving of 86 per cent - would have required the company to plant 23,291 trees. The resulting reduction in emissions also helped ensure that when the wider Bentley manufacturing site was recertified to PAS 2060 Carbon Neutral standard last month, off-setting was substantially reduced compared to when the certification was first achieved in 2019.

Alongside the HVO biofuel scheme, Bentley's 250-plus forklift trucks and the tow motors used inside the factory itself are also being charged with green electricity. Much of this power is provided by Bentley's 30,000 on-site solar panels, which harness power from the sun and played a key part in securing the site's certification to PAS 2060 carbon neutral standard by the Carbon Trust.

These projects are just part of Bentley's pioneering Beyond100 strategy, which aims to make the company a global leader in sustainable luxury mobility. Beyond100 will transform Bentley operations, including switching the entire model range to full-electric vehicles only by 2030, making the company end-to-end carbon neutral by the same date.

Peter Bosch, Member of the Board for Manufacturing at Bentley Motors, explains:

"At Bentley our on-site and local logistics vehicles cover around 300,000 miles a year, so this has presented a perfect opportunity to introduce renewable fuels which reduce CO₂ emissions from our local logistics by 86 per cent. As

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we work towards becoming end to end carbon neutral by 2030, these types of breakthrough initiatives are crucial to helping us achieve our future goals.

One year after the initial implementation, sustainable fuels such as HVO and solar electricity now form an integral part of our logistics sustainability strategy for the short to medium term, and we are now working to extend their use. In September, as part of our “gotozero” week, we undertook the first pilots of product deliveries to retailers in the UK using the biofuels. We will continue to extend this in 2022, driving towards our Beyond100 target as the world’s most sustainable luxury car brand.”

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Notes to editors

HVO is a second generation, premium biofuel. As well as reducing tailpipe emissions, it also cuts nitrous oxide by up to 30 per cent and particulates by up to 80 per cent. ‘Green D+’ can be used in Bentley’s existing logistics vehicles without modifications, maintenance or operating changes, reducing emissions and improving air quality at the same time.

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Bentley Motors is the most sought-after luxury car brand in the world. The company’s headquarters in Crewe is home to all of its operations including design, R&D, engineering, Mulliner and production of the company’s three model lines, Continental, Flying Spur, and Bentayga. The combination of fine craftsmanship, using skills that have been handed down through generations, alongside engineering expertise and cutting-edge technology is unique to UK luxury car brands such as Bentley. It is also an example of high-value British manufacturing at its best. Bentley employs around 4,000 people at Crewe.