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RPC bpi recycled products wins prestigious environmental award

RPC bpi recycled products has won a Green Apple Environment Award 2017 in recognition of its best practices – put in place over a number of years – which have resulted in the company achieving Valpak accreditation for 'Zero Waste to Landfill' across 75% of its sites.

Launched in 1994 The Green Organisation's Green Apple Award is an annual international competition that sets out to recognise, reward and promote environmental best practice. Finalists appear in The Green Apple Directory which features the best practices of award winners and is available to companies across the world.

Lorcan Mekitarian, sales director at RPC bpi recycled products said: "Creating a sustainable culture is a core commitment and part of our group strategy, with dedicated investment, targets and measures in place. Our Green Apple Award success is a testament to our green credentials and to the hard work and dedication of our employees. We hope our best practice in achieving zero waste to landfill will inspire other companies to do the same."

The award was presented at a carbon-neutral presentation ceremony at The Houses of Parliament, Westminster, London.

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From left: Michael Cooke from The Green Organisation presented the award to Daryl Winder and Lucinda Holmes from RPC bpi recycled products

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Notes to Editors:

- RPC bpi recycled products operates four UK sites.
- RPC bpi recycled products is part of British Polythene Ltd which was purchased in August 2016 by RPC Group Plc - a plastic products design and engineering company with over 180 operations across 33 countries and employing over 20,000 people.
- The polythene used to make the company's award winning Green Sack™ range of refuse sacks is made from recycled British farm waste plastics. The finished product has a carbon footprint that is estimated to be at least 35 per cent less than any other refuse sack in the UK. Already the most tear-resistant option on the market, the latest version – Green Sack Fusion – has been made even stronger by combining triple layer extrusion technology with a new core layer formulation made from super strength waste polythene.
- RPC bpi recycled products is accredited to ISO: 14001, ISO: 9001:2008, and OHSAS: 18001.
- The company's refuse sacks have been certified to CHSA (Cleaning and Hygiene Suppliers Association) standards. The CHSA represents all the major manufacturers and distributors which supply cleaning and hygiene products in the UK. Certification ensures that products conform to the highest industry standards – for example, that 'heavy duty' sacks really fulfil their claim. New members are audited four times throughout their first year, and at least twice annually thereafter.