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Tillery Valley secure three year contract delivering to Black Country hospitals

Award-winning prepared foods manufacturer Tillery Valley has secured a significant three year contract to provide delivered meals to five NHS hospitals and health units situated within Wolverhampton, West Bromwich and Walsall. South Wales-based Tillery Valley was selected to provide the daily deliveries for the Black Country Partnership NHS Foundation Trust and began work on the contract this month.

The contract, worth an annual £280,000, will see chilled and frozen meals provided by Tillery Valley, supplied to five of the Partnership's hospitals and health units across the West Midlands. These are Heath Lane, Penn, Edward Street, Orchard Hills and Pond Lane hospital.

Tillery Valley has been supplying meals to Penn hospital within the partnership since March 2008. The extension of this service to five NHS units across the Trust comes into operation following a competitive tender.

From their production site in Abertillery, Gwent, Tillery Valley supplies upwards of 600,000 prepared meals each week to healthcare services, the education sector, local authorities and community delivery schemes across the UK. The site has the capacity to produce one million meals a week. Tillery Valley also operates a tailored meal service to care homes and provides large-scale catering for major national events.

The Black Country Partnership NHS Foundation Trust brings together a number of NHS trusts to improve the health and wellbeing of people of all ages across the Black Country. The Partnership is a major provider of mental health, learning disability and community healthcare services, operating a variety of centres across the Black Country region. The wide range of services available allows them to provide integrated care and support tailored to each individual's needs.

Peter Marrs, Sales Director at Tillery Valley, said: "Tillery Valley has a wealth of experience in supplying meals for healthcare service providers, and we are delighted

that this has been recognised with this valuable contract with the Black Country Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.

Our dietitians are closely involved in the development of our products, and we place great importance on accommodating both nutritional and dietary standards and individual tastes. Our menus provide a variety of tasty choices, making patient mealtimes a positive experience."

Joe Kimberley, Head of Estates and Facilities at the Black Country Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, said: "The Black Country Partnership NHS Foundation Trust is committed to providing high quality, tailored care and support to all those using our services. Tillery Valley's dedication to providing extensive choice as well as nutritional quality will help us to continue to deliver the high standard of care that we strive for.

Tillery Valley has a great amount of experience and expertise in the healthcare sector, and we are very much looking forward to working with them on this contract over the next three years."