# **Modern Slavery Act 2015**

# Modern Slavery Act 2015 Statement for Year Ending 31 March 2016





a **DCC** business

exertis.co.uk

# **Our Policy**

Exertis (UK) Ltd is opposed to slavery and human trafficking in any part of our business or our supply chain. We are therefore committed to ensuring that we have adequate procedures in place to identify and prevent these practices.

We met the turnover threshold applicable to section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 in respect of the period covered by this statement.

#### **Our Business**

We are a distributor of products in the technology sector. Seasonal work is a feature of the industry in which we operate. More information on our business is available at www.exertis.co.uk.

We are a part of the DCC Group. DCC is an international sales, marketing, distribution and business support services group. Its headquarters are in Dublin, Ireland and it is listed on the London Stock Exchange. DCC currently has operations in 15 countries and employs over 10,500 people. More information on the DCC Group is available at www.dcc.ie.

#### **Our Structure**

Our business is organised into four business units: IT, Home, Mobile and Supplies. We distribute a wide range of products from the world's leading brands and also provide specialist sales and logistics support.

#### **Our Supply Chains**

The large majority of the products we sell are sourced from reputable suppliers who are based in the European Union. We also source a number of products from Australia, Canada, China, Hong Kong, Israel, Singapore, Switzerland, Taiwan and the United States.

# **Our Policies on Slavery and Human Trafficking**

The DCC Group Business Conduct Guidelines set out our Group commitment to acting ethically and with integrity towards our employees and in all our business relationships. In addition, the DCC Group Supply Chain Integrity Policy sets out the approach taken by every business in the DCC Group to ensuring that all the products we sell meet applicable legal and ethical standards. Both of these documents are available at <a href="http://www.dcc.ie/sustainability/our-policies.aspx">http://www.dcc.ie/sustainability/our-policies.aspx</a>.

Our policy on slavery and human trafficking is set out at the commencement of this statement.

The requirements of our Group Business Conduct Guidelines, Group Supply Chain Integrity Policy and our own policy are reflected in the more detailed policies and procedures that we have in Exertis (UK) Ltd. Over the course of the financial year ending 31 March 2017 we will be putting in place additional controls in this area.

# **Procedures on Slavery and Human Trafficking**

As part of our compliance with the policies referred to above, we will take the following steps:

- Assess potential risk areas in our supply chains;
- Mitigate the risk of slavery and human trafficking occurring in our supply chains; including by reviewing, where necessary, the controls that our suppliers have in place and carrying out other suitable checks;
- Monitor potential risk areas in our supply chains on a periodic basis.

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Responsibility for ensuring that our procedures are adequate and are adhered to in all areas of our activities rests with the directors of Exertis (UK) Ltd.

# Training

To ensure a suitable understanding of the risks of modern slavery and human trafficking in our business and our supply chains, relevant directors and employees in our business will participate in workshops with other businesses in the DCC Group over the course of the financial year ending 31 March 2017.

#### **Assurance and Key Performance Indicators**

We report on compliance with the DCC Group Business Conduct Guidelines and Supply Chain Integrity Policy every six months.

We will develop and monitor suitable key performance indicators to measure our compliance with our Group and internal policies in this area.

#### **Nature of this Statement**

This statement is made pursuant to section 54(1) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and constitutes our slavery and human trafficking statement for the financial year ending 31 March 2016.

Gerry O'Keeffe Managing Director, Exertis (UK) Ltd 30 June 2016



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