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Corporate Express Brings Delivery In-house

Birmingham, UK – 17 October 2005 – Corporate Express Ltd. UK, a Buhrmann company (AEX:BUHR and NYSE: BUH), one of the world’s largest business-to-business suppliers of essential office, facilities and computer products and services, announced its UK delivery services are to be brought in-house with a fleet of company vehicles and drivers.

This enhancement to the distribution infrastructure follows Corporate Express’ global strategy and provides the UK operation with the ability to gain more efficiency in its delivery cycle while providing customers with enhanced services.

The move from outsourced deliveries to an in-house solution supports Corporate Express’ commitment to superior customer service, while continuing to provide deliveries free of charge for next business day delivery.

“Our drivers represent the first line of customer service for us,” said Brian Macaluso, Managing Director for Corporate Express UK. “We are pleased to have them in-house, providing our customers with consistent high levels of accuracy and on-time delivery they have come to expect from Corporate Express.”

Deliveries will now be made with vehicles and drivers from Corporate Express and its XLog partners. XLog is a logistics services subsidiary of Corporate Express UK and provides integrated logistics services via a range partner companies.

About Corporate Express

Corporate Express UK Ltd. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Buhrmann, NV (AEX: BUHR; NYSE: BUH), an international business services and distribution group. Corporate Express’ product offering includes office products, facility supplies, business furniture, printed forms, IT products, and other similar products. Corporate Express has operations in 17 countries in Europe, North America and Australia/ New Zealand. Corporate Express’ UK operations have 15 locations, including 2 distribution centres, and the Company employs approximately 500 people. The Company’s Web site address is www.CorporateExpress.co.uk.