



Greggs Bakery

Eurobond has risen to the challenge and supplied both internal and external panel systems for Greggs Bakeries new production unit in Manchester. Set to produce more than 4 million doughnuts a year as well as other cakes, pastries and baked goods for Greggs' North-West outlets, it is a vital addition to the business and has created more than 300 skilled jobs in the surrounding area. Eurobond's Firemaster Wall Extra™ and Rockspan Extra™ were specified for the development thanks to their excellent fire safety credentials.

Estimated to cost £6 million, Greggs and their contractors, Hemsec Installations have chosen two of Eurobond's tried and tested panel systems for the new production unit which encompasses associated offices, a warehouse and delivery dispatch yards. Both of the installed panel systems will ensure Gregg's staff are provided with the highest level of protection in the event of a fire and any disruption to business continuity is minimised; providing considerable reassurance for the intended 300 strong team .

Housing large quantities of valuable stock and with life safety a paramount consideration **Firemaster Wall Extra™** was a natural choice. Firemaster satisfies the requirements for compartmentation of the building interior, isolating higher risk areas from others and helping, as part of a well considered fire safety engineering design, to ensure safe means of escape for employees in the event of a fire.

Employing a consistent fire engineered approach for the treatment of both the internal and external walls, architects Cox Freeman Partnership selected **Rockspan Extra™** to house the entire production plant and warehouse. Rockspan is a value engineered panel system combining a high quality finish and rapid construction with durability and low maintenance. Capable of spanning between main portal frame stanchions the panel system can create a smooth internal surface enabling efficient use of the internal space and has excellent air tightness and thermal insulation properties to help minimise energy consumption and reduce carbon emissions

Alan McCall, of architects Cox Freeman Partnership, said: "We specified Eurobond products for this project because we were impressed with its performance on a previous project. **Firemaster Extra's™** fire resistance qualities make it the perfect specification for internal cladding in order to protect against the destruction of stock in the event of a fire, which would be costly to Greggs and its employees. With a proven history in the food storage and processing sector, the total internal wall and ceiling panel solutions enables the compartmentalization and the construction of protected zones within a building to limit fire damage should it occur."



Client: Greggs Bakery
Architect: Cox Freeman Partnership
Panel Contractor: Hemsec Installations

Environmentally conscious building owners Gregg's have ensured their new production unit is built with sustainable materials. Eurobond invests in environmental solutions for all its customers, all panel systems manufactured at their UK factory have zero Global warming and ozone depleting potential, with all steel and stone wool fully recyclable at the end of their valuable life.

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