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## **Sodexo strengthens environmental commitment with new appointment**

Sodexo, a leading food and facilities management services provider, has today announced the appointment of Paul Bracegirdle as its Environmental Manager in a newly created role.

Paul joins Sodexo with a wealth of experience in the environmental field, further strengthening the company's commitment to improving its environmental performance.

In this new role, Paul will be reviewing Sodexo's carbon footprint, waste management and supplier activity as well as ensuring the company complies with Packaging Waste Regulations, and will form part of the company's Safeguard team, which oversees its food and safety management systems.

Paul will also progress the company's involvement in the HCIMA's Hospitable Climates programme - a campaign striving towards greater energy efficiency whilst maintaining quality, productivity and competitiveness – assisting in the UK's commitment to reducing carbon dioxide emissions.

Having previously worked in the chemical industry for 26 years, primarily manufacturing chemical products for the electronics industry, Paul has over 10 years of experience as an environmental specialist.

He joins Sodexo from Rohm and Haas, where he was involved in a wide-range of environmental management activities, including: legal compliance, environmental permitting, liaising with regulators, implementation and maintenance of environmental management systems and the overall reduction of emissions to land, air and water.

Paul said: "Business and the environment are becoming more strongly linked, making organisations not only change their attitudes towards the environment, but also their actions. The creation of a new environmental manager's role at Sodexo demonstrated to me that a commitment towards environmental improvement was in place. Sodexo's environmental impacts are different from those of the chemical industry but are no less challenging, and I look forward to meeting those challenges."

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