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## **Foodstuffs North Island and Loscam Partner to Enhance Produce Supply Chain**

Grocery retailer and wholesaler, Foodstuffs North Island and Loscam, Asia Pacific's leader in returnable packaging solutions, have announced a new joint initiative focussed on delivering a best in class packaging solution for their fresh produce supply chain.

The standardised packaging solution, provided by Loscam, includes its leading Active Lock produce crates and innovative rising floor bins that enable produce to be handled less through the supply chain and enhance the efficiency of in-store replenishment.

The best in class packaging solution provides the opportunity to enhance the efficiency, safety and flexibility of the Foodstuffs produce supply chain by giving suppliers access to the latest standardised packaging technology. The solution is one of many collaborative initiatives by the Foodstuffs North Island organisation to streamline supply chain activities to enable them to offer shoppers the freshest produce in New Zealand.

"Standardising packaging within our fresh supply chain has been a priority for us. We see opportunities to drive efficiency by reducing the amount of different packaging within the network" said General Manager Supply Chain, Vaughan Grant, Foodstuffs North Island. "Ensuring we present the freshest produce in the fastest and safest manner possible to our customers is a factor that will position us to stay at the forefront in this sector" added Grant.

"We are excited about extending our relationship with Foodstuffs into the fresh produce sector and we are very much looking forward to investing in the innovative crate solution, simple administrative processes and crate wash facilities across the country to deliver a world class returnable crate solution" said David Edwards, Loscam's Corporate Head of Development. "Our crates and bins will enhance the supply chain process and we see lots of opportunities to bring choice to the wider produce sector over the coming years" he said.





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**About Loscam**

*Established in 1942, LOSCAM is a fast growing provider of Returnable Package Handling (RPH) solutions for use in Asia Pacific supply chains. The RPH solutions include the provision of pooling services for pallets, plastic crates, IBC's and other equipment used in moving products efficiently between trading partners. Loscam is focused on delivering high quality, efficient and environmentally sustainable solutions, which has led to a position of leadership in the manufacturing and retail sectors.*

**About Foodstuffs North Island**

*Foodstuffs North Island is a 100% Kiwi owned and operated co-operative operating retail and wholesale brands across New Zealand's North Island. Our stores, which include the PAK'nSAVE, New World, Four Square, Gilmours and Toops brands are owned and operated by our co-operative Members who are dedicated to providing each of their communities and customers with their everyday grocery needs. Our Membership is supported by an infrastructure and team of 2,000 who work across our seven distribution centres and two support Centres across the North Island.*

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