TESCO Valpak Helps Tesco Save Time and Money on Their Packaging Data Submission



"Valpak are accurate, professional and clear experts in their field. The overall quality of the service we receive is excellent and very competitively priced. Valpak's experience provides Tesco with peace of mind that we are completely compliant with these very important legal requirements. Not only that, but Valpak's detailed work is capable of assisting Tesco to analyse our packaging obligations and identify areas where products are overpackaged so that Tesco can help save the environment." **Tesco**

About the Customer

Tesco is the leading food retailer with interests in financial services and consumer electronics. There are over 3,000 Tesco stores in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland and this is expected to grow year on year.

The Challenge

Tesco has over 200,000 individual product lines. Analysing this data and gathering packaging weights in order to comply with the UK Packaging Waste Regulations is a huge administrative task. The Packaging Waste Regulations are an important responsibility for Tesco so being fully compliant with these regulations was a must.

The Solution

Tesco decided to use Valpak's Data Management Service to reduce the administrative burden of their packaging data submission and ensure their compliance.

Valpak was responsible for calculating their data submission and ensuring that it was "as accurate as reasonably possible" as required by the regulations.

This included:

- Identification of raw data required in order to produce the data submission
- Contacting suppliers to obtain packaging weights
- Carrying out weighing exercises
- Extensive data collection and analysis
- Reporting the data submission to the relevant environment agency by the required regulatory deadline

The Benefits

Outsourcing their data submission to Valpak gave Tesco peace of mind that they were fully compliant with the UK Packaging Waste Regulations.

They also achieved a number of other benefits including:

- Identification of raw data required in order to produce the data submission
- Cost savings in terms of staff time and resource
- Additional bespoke reporting to help establish areas of investigation for Tesco to focus its own resources on worthwhile sustainability projects
- Full audit trail of how their data submission was produced so that they were prepared for an **Environment Agency audit**