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ANDYFREIGHT RELIES ON FUEL-EFFICIENT MERCEDES-BENZ ACTROS.

Reliability, uptime, fuel economy and driver appeal – the Mercedes-Benz Actros continues to tick every box for Black Country haulier Andyfreight.

Actros units now account for all but five of the 40 tractor units operated by the Stourbridge-based company. It also runs five 18-tonne rigids, all of which are by Mercedes-Benz. All wear a livery featuring the operator's trademark image of a baby, and the message: 'Just about the only thing not delivered by... www.andyfreight.co.uk'.

Andyfreight took delivery of 10 Actros 2545 variants in the second half of last year. These followed eight similar units added earlier in 2023, and 17 trucks which arrived in 2021-22. The latest trucks, though, are the company's first to be powered by engines from the third generation Mercedes-Benz OM 471 range, which combines a raft of technical innovations to deliver improvements in fuel consumption, reliability and driving dynamics.

Increased fuel efficiency.

All the company's Actros have impressed with their mpg returns but the 2023 models, with 12.8-litre in-line six-cylinder engines that produce 330 kW (450 hp), have displayed a further increase in efficiency.

"At 11.3 mpg, the average across all our Mercedes-Benz trucks from 71-plate onwards was already more than a mile per gallon better than any other brands we've tried," revealed General Manager Dan Harris. "The latest tractors have performed even better, though. They're returning figures of more than 12 mpg.

"At the same time these trucks, the first of which have now covered well over 200,000 km, are extremely reliable. Downtime has been well below what we'd normally expect. They're well-liked by our drivers too – all of which explains why the Actros continues to be our preferred choice."

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Superb service.

Established by Managing Director Andy Pountney with a single 3.5-tonne pick-up in 1986, Andyfreight provides a comprehensive portfolio of flexible and cost-effective nationwide haulage, distribution and warehousing services to customers large and small.

The company has been running Mercedes-Benz trucks for more than 30 years, some of the first being pre-owned examples that it purchased from the manufacturer's Wentworth Park facility, near Barnsley.

Andyfreight's Actros are inspected and maintained for the first two or three years of their lives under Mercedes-Benz Complete Service Contracts.

"The support we receive from the team at Midlands Truck & Van's Wolverhampton workshop is superb," said Mr Harris.

"They'll collect our trucks on Fridays and invariably have them back with us by the Sunday lunchtimes – it's a very slick operation and by far the best service we've received from any Dealer. Given that we're incredibly busy at the moment, this level of back-up is priceless."

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