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## Recycling Wooden Pallets with HADCO's Manufacturing & Recycling Division

HADCO's Manufacturing & Recycling Division is excited to announce its strategic partnership with its Food & Beverage Division to repair and recycle old wooden pallets into reusable ones.

HADCO Group is involved in the importation and distribution of consumer goods for the food and beverage and electrical and lighting sectors; providing eco-tourism experiences, manufacturing ice cream and novelties as well as steel pans for local and export distribution; and offering recycling and logistics services.

With an organisation of this size and scope, a robust logistics and transportation network is crucial to deliver and serve all customers, on time and efficiently, every time. This requires a reliable supply chain with an extensive fleet of trucks, ocean and air freight providers as well as adequate pallets for stacking cartons and containers. Yes, wooden shipping pallets!

In this edition, we will discuss pallet recycling and show how this group-wide initiative contributes to reducing packaging waste, protects the environment and is aligned with the sustainability ethos being emphasized throughout the Group.

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Kevin Whiteman -  
Managing Director,  
Recycling Division,  
HADCO Group

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## Why Recycling Pallets Matter

Pallets allow for easy stacking, loading, and unloading, and provide support and stability for the products being transported within the country and across borders.

They are key within any logistics operations, as standardised pallet sizes, materials and construction facilitate the smooth flow of products within facilities and throughout the supply chain.

Recycling pallets within our business eco-system contributes to:

1) **Operational Efficiency:** Having the right number of usable pallets, at the right time and in the right place ensures that HADCO's supply chain is always running effectively with no delays or downtime within the order fulfilment processes.

2) **Waste Reduction:** As part of our in-house program, we fix broken, damaged, or soiled wooden pallets and redistribute them to our companies. Pallet refurbishing prevents unnecessary waste disposal in our overcrowded landfills.

3) **Cost Efficiency:** Refurbishing pallets reduces cost as fewer new pallets are needed. Our in-house recycling collaboration with various internal divisions ensures that HADCO Group sustainably manages waste/disposal costs and contributes to a more circular economy.



A member of staff in our Manufacturing & Recycling Division repairs a damaged pallet  
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Scrap pieces of wood from damaged pallets  
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We cut costs by repairing pallets for use across the Group  
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The Manufacturing & Recycling Division can repair hundreds of pallets every month  
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## Get Involved!

Recycling pallets in-house is just one of the many ways that HADCO is committed to sustainability. We service Trinidad and Tobago with multiple waste collection options for the following materials:

For sorted plastics (PET and HDPE), glass, Tetra Pak, aluminium cans, wastepaper, and cardboard inquiries, please contact New Age Recycling at (868) 290-2970 / 2975 or email [newagerecycling@hadcoltd.com](mailto:newagerecycling@hadcoltd.com).

For inquiries about waste vegetable oil (WVO), used lead-acid batteries and end-of-life tyres, please contact Ecoimpact Company Limited at (868) 633-3609 / 673-4395 / 5172 or email [ecoimpact.info@hadcoltd.com](mailto:ecoimpact.info@hadcoltd.com).



The humble wooden pallet is a logistics essential to move goods around the world

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