Press Release

**Ready to go in the blink of an eye! VDO DLD Wide Range II makes the downloading of tachograph data even easier**

* Ready for use right away thanks to integrated mobile communication (SIM card) and plug-and-play cable
* The high-performance device features GNSS/GPS, additional CAN interfaces and digital inputs/outputs
* Designed for future telematics solutions

Villingen-Schwenningen, July 2016. The new VDO DLD Wide Range II from Continental gives fleet operators and haulage companies direct access to a web-based service for the wireless transfer of data from the mass storage of the digital tachograph (DTCO) and from driver cards. The OEM-quality device can be installed in just a few minutes with a plug-and-play cable and it can be deployed immediately thanks to the integrated SIM card for mobile communication. The hardware is already fit for the future, with telematics functions such as position recording and vehicle diagnostics via CAN or other inputs. Customers also have easy online access to data – no more installing of local applications. The DLD Wide Range II is now available on the market.

## Reliable compliance with statutory archiving deadlines

Vehicles on assignments all over Europe only return occasionally to their home depots, but now – thanks to the DLD Wide Range II, long-distance haulage management can feel secure in the knowledge that the company is complying with all statutory archiving deadlines. Data from mass storage devices and driver cards is downloaded automatically by GPRS (mobile phone network) on the basis of a predefined order list while the vehicle is out on the road. The company card stays in the office.

Continental’s new version offers customers even better service, because the DLD Wide Range II has a SIM card on board, making it ready for communication in no time. Connection takes only a few minutes with the optionally-available plug-and-play cable. Continental has completely reconfigured the hardware for this new version. Thanks to the device’s 512 MB storage capacity, additional CAN interfaces, digital inputs and outputs, the DLD Wide Range II is ready for telematics functions that will soon become available, such as the analysis of driver availability and vehicle diagnostic information. Even today, haulage companies are keeping an eye on the exact locations of their trucks thanks to the integrated GPS module. The system is also compatible with the WiFi-based DLD Short Range II, which downloads data from vehicles when they return to the depot, meaning that companies can switch to the wireless version where required, or equip individual vehicles in mixed fleets with the right device for long-range and short-range transport jobs. The fleet management can also add extra services at a later point in time, by means of FOTA (Firmware Over-The-Air).

## Direct access to web-based service

Another advantage of the DLD Wide Range II is that customers no longer have to install a local application – now they can simply go online and use the web-based service by simply logging in to the server of the VDO TIS-Web fleet management system. “DLD WR II augments our fine-tuned family of digital tachographs and telematics applications with front end, back end and apps,” says Dr. Lutz Scholten, Head of Tachographs, Telematics and Services at Continental. “Haulage companies and dispatchers can now manage their fleets more efficiently.” The system also works reliably with fleet management systems offered by other companies. It is available from VDO dealers.

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Ready to go in the blink of an eye, the new VDO DLD Wide Range II from Continental now gives fleet operators and haulage companies an even simpler way of wirelessly transmitting the data of mass storage devices and driver cards.

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