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Freight Europe UK carried 2,900 tonnes of tinned product from Italy to the UK in the first quarter of this year for Mediterranean Growers (MG), the UK distributor of Valfrutta products and a sole supplier to Asda. MG was an unsuccessful rail user in the past, but has now pledged to use the mode whenever possible.

Powell Duffryn Rail has won a £2m contract to supply Swedish State Railways with a single-axle suspension system to convert 70 two-axle rail vans into 160kph, high-speed wagons for postal delivery services.

The company also has an option to convert a further 50 wagons.

The shadow Strategic Rail Authority is expected to announce the winner or winners of its £5m freight innovation competition at the Rail Freight 2000 conference in London on 6 June.