

## Fabcon supports KiMs factory upgrade



FABCON Food Systems has provided two high-capacity potato crisp batch fryers to Scandinavian snack producer KiMs for its plant in Skreia, southern Norway. Fabcon also supplied new weighing, slicing and feeding equipment to complete the new installations.

The project marks the first time Fabcon Food Systems has supplied KiMs, which is part of the Orkla Company, with facilities across Denmark, Sweden, Finland and Latvia. Fabcon's managing director Trevor Howard says: "To supply one of Scandinavia's most respected snack manufacturers is another milestone for us as it shows again that our products and designs are in high demand."

"This was a brilliant project to be part of. It saw us delivering important energy savings through the fryer design and upgrading existing equipment, which has also increased output and quality – with capacity now in excess of 400kgs per hour. The outcome is a modernised, 21st century production line, supplemented by a top-quality frying, weighing and slicing system."

"It has been a game-changer for Orkla C&S [crisps and snacks] Norway as they look to produce new products. We look forward to working with them in the months and years ahead."

Jens Helge Sandberg, technical manager at Orkla's C&S Skreia facility, adds: "We chose to work with Fabcon as their British-built equipment is of the highest quality, while their after-sales service offers us the technical support if we need it."

"Our production line in Skreia was ageing and in need of replacement so we are delighted with Fabcon's installation and designs – especially as we now have a higher output machine on the same footprint as the old system. The new equipment, including the fryers, have made the plant far more efficient and will benefit us in the years ahead."