

## Marks & Spencer chooses leading EMS from Van Beek Arnhem



After 10 years of successful cooperation with Marks & Spencer in the field of sustainability through an intermediary, M&S and Van Beek recently signed a new 3-year contract. This contract is not currently through an intermediary but is a direct agreement between Marks & Spencer from the United Kingdom and Van Beek, the comprehensive energy management specialist, from the Netherlands. Van Beek is proud of supplying and servicing the EMS system for M&S and sees the new contract as a crown on sustainable cooperation.

Van Beek supports M&S daily by developing and managing one of the most innovative and advanced energy management systems (EMS) in the world. With the Energy Management Program, M&S has already made a lot of progress in energy savings. In the coming years, energy consumption will continue to be further reduced to 50% in 2020 compared to 2007.

To address the challenges of the 21st century, M&S introduced an ecological and ethical plan in January 2007: Plan A (because there is no plan B). This plan sets out 100 social and environmental goals. Most goals have been achieved, but that is not enough for M&S. In 2014, Plan A 2020 was introduced with the ultimate goal of becoming the most sustainable department store chain in the world. Recently the Plan A2025 has been released.

The Erbis platform with a dedicated website offers all stores (buildings), regional and facility managers continuous insight into the savings goals. One of the last successes for M&S is an innovation award for the responsive website, developed by Van Beek.

Van Beek is proud of the collaboration with M&S, which provides more insight and helps improve its service in the field of integrated energy management.

