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DHL Global Forwarding, the freight specialist arm of Deutsche Post DHL Group, opens its newest facility in Brisbane, Australia to meet the surging demand for Australian perishable goods export, with an investment of AU\$17 million (11 million EUR) over ten years.

Queensland's total agricultural and food exports hit AU\$10.72 billion in 2022, a steep 25.5% increase from the previous year. To cater to this growing demand, the newly launched 4,880sqm facility houses the largest international cold chain services in Brisbane at 1,700 sqm, offering complete cold chain services for goods such as high-quality meat, fresh produce and seafood. It is at Brisbane airport with airside access, the first and only freight forwarder to have such access, and is close to the Port of Brisbane.

The new facility is aligned with the principles of Green Building Council of Australia (GBCA) 5 star Greenstar. A combination of green practices will allow the facility to reduce yearly carbon emissions by 458 tonnes, equivalent to taking almost 100 passenger vehicles off the roads for a year. It features solar panels, which allow for 35% annual energy offset and batteries to store excess solar energy for night operations. The facility also utilises energy-efficient lighting with motion sensors, rainwater harvesting and EV charging points.