

## Applegreen continues exploring opportunities in the U.S.

**Last year the Irish fuelling company acquired 53 sites in the United States.**

“The US business is performing well and we continue to explore new opportunities in this market”, said Kitchen during the briefing of Applegreen’s activities for the first five months of 2019. “The legacy Applegreen business is performing strongly year-on-year, notwithstanding prior year comparators were negatively impacted by adverse weather events. We are pleased with the performance of the business in Ireland where trading conditions remain good.

In the UK, the performance of Welcome Break has been satisfactory despite more challenging trading conditions in 2019 as ongoing uncertainty surrounding Brexit has impacted on consumer sentiment, according to the company.

Kitchen described trading as in line with expectations Applegreen had over the same period last year.

Applegreen has added nine sites to the group’s overall portfolio since 31 December 2018 - six in the Republic of Ireland and three in the UK. Two sites were also converted in the US to 7-Eleven convenience stores.