

## Environmental Policy

**Requirement:** To maintain safe and healthy working conditions that do not impact the environment.

**Purpose:** To reduce the risk of environmental incident, accidents, injuries and cases of ill health and help ensure the health, safety and welfare of anyone affected by our operations.

**Demonstration:** Our Environmental Policy is in place to reduce the probability and severity of work-related environmental incidents, accidents, injuries and causes of ill health.

We believe that businesses are responsible for achieving good environmental practice and operating in a sustainable manner.

We are therefore committed to reducing our environmental impact and continually improving our environmental performance as an integral and fundamental part of our business strategy and operating methods.

It is our priority to encourage our customers, suppliers and all business associates to do the same. Not only is this sound commercial sense for all; it is also a matter of delivering on our duty of care towards future generations.

### Our policy is to:

- Wholly support and comply with or exceed the requirements of current environmental legislation and codes of practice.
- Minimise our waste and then reuse or recycle as much of it as possible.
- Minimise energy and water usage in our buildings, vehicles and processes in order to conserve supplies, and minimise our consumption of natural resources, especially where they are non-renewable.
- Operate and maintain company vehicles with due regard to environmental issues as far as reasonably practical and encourage the use of alternative means of transport and car sharing as appropriate.
- Apply the principles of continuous improvement in respect of air, water, noise and light pollution from our premises and reduce any impacts from our operations on the environment and local community.
- As far as possible purchase products and services that do the least damage to the environment and encourage others to do the same.
- Assess the environmental impact of any new processes or products we intend to introduce in advance.
- Ensure that all employees understand our environmental policy and conform to the high standards it requires.

- Address complaints about any breach of our Environmental Policy promptly and to the satisfaction of all concerned.
- Update our Environmental Policy annually in consultation with staff, associates and customers.

### **Dust Emissions**

Dust analysis sampling is carried out at a frequency agreed with the Environment Agency. These samples are submitted for professional analysis and the results forwarded to the EA. Dust emissions are monitored during waste handling operations, and by means of a daily site inspection, the findings of which are recorded in the site diary.

Dust emissions are controlled by means of strategically placed sprinklers and water atomiser

### **Surface Water**

The ground surface of the entire yard area is constructed of an impermeable material, and of sufficient structural strength to withstand impact and loading from stored waste, plant and equipment and the activities at the site. The surface is designed, constructed maintained and drained so that there is no accumulation of surface water and any drainage flows unimpeded on to and thence within the drainage system at the site.

No dangerous substances are handled on the site.

All surface water is collected in an interceptor and passed through a separator prior to being discharged into the main foul sewer.

### **Spillages**

Bulk fuel storage is bunded and away from main drainage. Spill kits are located by fuel and oil storage locations.

In the event of a spillage in the yard area, 'fines' is taken from bulk stock and used as an absorbent. This would then be isolated on site and removed to an appropriate location for disposal.

### **Litter**

Effective measures are taken to prevent litter from being blown from the site to anywhere outside the site and to ensure that the site, including its boundaries, is kept clear of litter and other debris irrespective of its source. Litter emissions are monitored by means of a daily site inspection, the findings of which are recorded in the site diary

## **Noise emissions**

Noise emissions are monitored by means of a daily site inspection, the findings of which are recorded in the site diary.

An industrial noise assessment has been carried out by an independent external assessor, and the findings demonstrate that no excessive noise emissions are evident beyond the perimeter of the site

## **Odour emissions**

Putrescible waste is not normally handled at the site and offensive odours are not normally regarded as a problem. An assessment of odours forms part of the daily site inspection, the findings of which are entered in the site diary. When an assessment indicates that there is discernible odour at or beyond the site boundary attributable to the site, measures will be taken to reduce or ameliorate any odour from activities authorised on the site

### **This Policy is:**

- Documented and reviewed
- Retained
- Communicated

## **Implementation**

This Policy shall be effective immediately from the date of signature.

## **Review Date**

This Policy will be reviewed annually but may be subject to change due to legislation or events before that time line in which case the relevant information will be included thereon

Signed *Terence Sharp*

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