CORPORATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AT SAERTEX

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Dear Colleagues,

Inevitably, any economic activity has consequences for the natural environment. In order to ensure the protection of the environment and natural resources, a fully integrated corporate environmental policy needs to be established at SAERTEX. And as a producer of products which are often used for environmental protection, we feel obliged to further develop and improve our environmental management system, to define environmentally relevant processes and responsibilities, to meet legal requirements and to identify potential financial and material savings.

In our company, the responsibility for environmental protection lies with corporate management. Through “leading by example”, our employees are to be motivated to actively participate in shaping our environmental protection policy. All employees will be given the opportunity to further develop and improve this system by submitting their suggestions and feedback.

How we will ensure the success of the environmental management system at SAERTEX:

- We strive to continually improve our environmental behaviour.
- We take measures to reduce our environmental impact.
- We comply with all relevant environmental legislation.
- We optimise the procedures we apply based on regular reviews.
- We intend to reduce emissions and minimise our raw material and energy use.
- We replace old processes, where technically feasible, with new environmentally friendly processes.
- We evaluate new processes in advance with regard to their environmental impact in terms of the emissions released as well as the raw material and energy consumed.
- We minimise the environmental impact of our end products as much as possible.
- We reduce the amount of waste produced by optimising our products' packaging and using, for example, reusable packaging.
- We find a new purpose for the outer packaging of our raw materials by reusing it, where possible, as packaging for our finished products.
- We define corresponding requirements to be met by our raw material suppliers.
- We develop appropriate measures in conjunction with the competent authorities to minimise the potential environmental impact in the event of an accident.
- We inform the public and our customers about our environmental policy, environmental objectives and measures to improve environmental protection.

For all questions regarding the environmental relevance of our processes and products, we advocate an open dialogue. We also support our customers and suppliers in their efforts to minimise the environmental impact of their products and processes as much as possible.

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