



GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY ON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Our commitment to the environment

We recognise that effective environmental management makes good operational sense and will become a fundamental and integral part of our strategic decision-making processes.

We are committed to ensuring that our own operations and any related activities, over which we exert an influence, take account of and utilise techniques and materials designed so as not to harm the environment.

In recognising the importance of achieving these high standards, the procedures necessary to protect the environment, will need to ensure that we:

- are aware of how our activities impact upon the environment, particularly in relation to the:
 - choice of materials, best suited for a particular use, which will take account of sustainability, especially if scarce and/or non-renewable
 - reduction in air, land and water pollution
 - avoidance and/or minimisation of waste, through re-use, recycling and appropriate waste management
- comply with our statutory responsibilities, at the very least, by:
 - always seeking to minimise any adverse effects, by adopting the Best Available Technique(s), Not Entailing Excessive Cost (BATNEEC);
 - adopting, if and when appropriate and necessary, the Best Available Technique(s) (BAT), regardless of cost;
- are sensitive to the environmental concerns of our neighbours and the communities through which we operate;
- require our suppliers and contractors to have a proper regard for this Environmental Protection Policy, in relation to the goods and services they provide;
- communicate this policy to our staff, contractors and suppliers, as well as any other interested parties, upon request, to obtain their help in its implementation;
- seek to continually improve, in relation to both organisational and site management, as well as the acquisition and use of equipment

This policy and any associated procedures will be regularly reviewed and up-dated, to reflect changes in legislative, organisational, operational and management arrangements but in any case, every 12 months.

Signed:

Tom Elliott
Director responsible for SHEF compliance

Date:

20th July 2018

Signed:

Simon Perkins
Chief Executive Officer

Date:

20th July 2018

Important note: *Members of staff and Contractors working for us may be required to visit and/or work at premises that are not under our control, either directly or indirectly and in those circumstances, all staff are required and expected to acquaint themselves with the SHEF procedures applicable to the premises visited and/or at which they work*