

## Environmental Policy Statement

### Our Commitment

Ascertiva is one of the world's leading third party certification companies with brands servicing business, industry and government through Assessment, Certification and Verification activities which are supported by training and technical assistance through publications, events and a technical helpline.

We recognise our responsibility to prevent pollution in all parts of our operations, safeguard the environment and take positive steps to minimise the environmental impacts of our operations.

We aim to comply with applicable environmental legislation and industry codes of practice, and seek to implement good practice.

### Our Aims

- To operate an environmental management system (EMS) throughout the organisation.
- To use energy and water efficiently and optimise our use of natural resources.
- To minimise the volume of waste deposited to landfill by re-using and recycling materials wherever possible.
- To encourage modes of transport, which minimise environmental impact, ensure that our staff are aware of efficient driving and examine the operation of our vehicles.
- To ensure that our staff are aware of relevant environmental issues, and of their own roles and responsibilities in delivering the overall programme and providing training for those with particular responsibilities.
- To continue to consider environmental factors and risks in our commercial decisions, alert our customers to the importance of these issues, and direct them to specialist sources of advice.
- To encourage the development of products and services that will help our customers to adopt sound environmental principles and practices.
- To ensure that our key suppliers and contractors are aware of our policy and that wherever possible, they operate to similar standards, as a minimum.
- To continue to provide support for sustainability initiatives that contribute towards the preservation or enhancement of the quality of life in the communities in which we operate.

### Our Responsibilities

- We will ensure that resources are available to enable us to achieve our objectives and targets.
- The Chief Operating Officer is responsible to the Board for our environmental performance and implementation of this policy. The Chief Operating Officer will be supported by a nominated member of the Commercial Action Team who will provide regular reports on progress.
- All employees have a responsibility in their area to ensure that the aims and objectives of the policy are met.

### Communication

This policy is communicated to all our staff. The policy is available on request. If you wish to obtain a copy please telephone 01582 531000. This policy is also available on our web sites at: [www.ascertiva.com](http://www.ascertiva.com) [www.niceic.com](http://www.niceic.com) [www.nqa.com](http://www.nqa.com) and [www.niceiccertification.com](http://www.niceiccertification.com)

Signed:



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