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Environmental Policy

CISTEC operates in the field of civil & structural engineering sectors, we know that any building or construction projects that we get involved with can have the potential to cause environmental impact. As a responsible consultant to building and construction industry, we also recognise our ethical and social responsibilities to the environment and adhere to all the current environmental Acts and legislations.

We believe that businesses are responsible for achieving good environmental practice and operating in a responsible and 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/clients, subcontractors 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.
- Conduct our operations in such a way as to minimise the risk of pollution.
- Minimise our waste and then reuse or recycle as much of it as possible.
- Enhance awareness of office and site based environmental issues amongst our staff, clients and contractors.
- Minimise energy and water usage in our office, premises, 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 (where appropriate) 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.

It is the responsibility of all staff to fulfil their duties in implementing the above policies to achieve the common environmental objectives and the management team will annually assess and review the above policies.

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