

This policy supports the Group's Health, Safety and Environment (HS&E) Policy.

SIG recognises that it is important to minimise the impact of its operations on the environment both locally and globally within reasonable business constraints. In order to achieve this we have identified the significant environmental aspects of the business and through assessment and continual monitoring we have taken action to minimise the impact.

Below we set out the aims of the business to minimise its global environmental impact with the goal of becoming a **Low Carbon Business**.

SIG aims to:

- **Reduce energy consumption** across the business through a range of actions, including: providing accurate measurement to an internationally recognised standard, energy auditing, selection of energy efficient plant and equipment, energy awareness and switch off campaigns.
- **Reduce fuel consumption** through: the selection of fuel efficient vehicles, a routine maintenance programme to ensure ongoing efficiency, fewer journeys through inter-company cooperation and vehicle sharing, fuel efficiency awareness and training programmes.
- **Reduce embedded carbon** in our products by minimising waste and deploying efficient fuel and vehicle use.
- **Minimise water consumption** through recycling and recovery of water in manufacturing processes and providing water efficient welfare facilities.

These aims will be achieved through the maintenance of a Low Carbon strategy overseen by the Energy Efficiency Manager and implemented through the Group's HS&E Management System.

A key element of the strategy is the ongoing communication programme to raise awareness and gain the commitment of management, employees and other stakeholders along with regular measurement and monitoring to ensure continuous improvement and the sharing of best practice.

The Group Chief Executive (CEO) has overall responsibility for climate change matters within the Group and this policy is signed by the CEO to demonstrate the Board's commitment.

Energy and Fuel Policy

SIG will provide an accurate measurement of its fuel and energy consumption to enable the setting of targets for emissions reduction and to report on its performance.

SIG is also committed to the efficient management of energy and fuel consumption. Through its purchasing policy and local management it will provide for energy and fuel efficiency throughout all of its premises, vehicles, plant and equipment, wherever it is cost effective and will provide for efficient manufacturing and conversion processes to reduce resource waste.

Waste Management Policy

SIG's policy is to provide for the measurement of the waste generated by its operations and to identify and implement strategies to minimise waste sent to landfill. This will be achieved through partnerships with waste management businesses to provide waste segregation, reuse and recycling and the implementation of waste take back schemes adding value to our customer services.

Implementation and Review

This policy is communicated across the Group through the management review process and is posted on the Group's website: www.sigplc.com. Information regarding the Group's performance is published in the Annual Report. The Low Carbon strategy is subject to periodic review through the internal HS&E audit programmes and annual management review meetings.

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