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# **Environmental Policy Statement**

Pro-Dec Products Ltd, as part of the Pro-Dec Group of Companies, is committed to minimising the impact of its activities on the environment.

The key points of its strategy to achieve this are:

#### **RAW MATERIALS**

- Wherever possible to use materials which are 'Food Safe", and to avoid materials
  of which there is any consensual agreement that the materials, their processing or
  the use of products derived from those materials may be toxic or harmful to the
  environment.
- Where the generation of harmful VOCs may arise from the manufacturing processes, and when no viable alternatives exist, that adequate filtration and appropriate disposal methods are used.
- Avoidance of materials which cannot be recycled efficiently or effectively in either unprocessed or finished form.

#### **WASTE & RECYCLING**

- Ensuring efficient operations for optimising waste minimisation.
- Internal recycling of waste products (moulding sprues and runners). Where this is not possible or economically viable, by finding external users of these materials
- Source materials which use recyclable packaging, or if not fully recyclable, then minimal packaging consistent with safe and secure transit of those materials

### **FUELS & OILS**

- Minimise fuel usage, carbon and other emissions through the selection and use of vehicle fleet.
- Adoption of WBP for the storage and safe containment of oils, hydraulic fluids and other fluids required for the manufacturing process.
- Minimisation and containment procedures in the event of machinery failure
- Disposal and recycling of used fluids by appropriate organisations.

#### **WATER**

- Use of manufacturing processes which do not add volatile organic compounds to the water used. Use of descaling or similar additives limited to products which can be broken down in standard sewage treatment plants.
- Minimisation of fresh-water usage by adoption of 'closed loop' cooling systems
- Avoidance of 'open loop' cooling systems (such as cooling towers) which can lead to breeding of harmful bacterium

#### **ELECTRICITY**

- Adoption of new and replacement plant and equipment which can achieve lower power usage per unit of production.
- Use of power-efficient lighting and air management systems
- Policies to turn-off or otherwise disengage non-essential equipment when it is not being used

## **PACKAGING**

- Ensure products are packed into the minimal packaging consistent with safe and secure transit of those products.
- Ensure the packaging of each product is clearly marked with information regarding the recycling status of that product.
- Where possible, ensure that packaging is re-usage or recyclable.

## **LEGISLATION**

• Meet or exceed all the environmental legislation that relates to the Company.

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