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Environmental Policy Statement

Printco is committed to protecting the environment and the health and safety of our employees. The following document outlines our policies for matters related to these areas. Our goal as a company is to seek continual improvement throughout our business operations to lessen our footprint on the local and global environment. All local environmental legislation will be followed. In addition to following stated goals, all employees are expected to behave in a responsible, ethical, and legal manner.

Purchasing Decisions and Sustainable Consumption

Whenever possible, purchasing decisions will favor products that:

- Are made from post-consumer recycled content
- Are themselves biodegradable, compostable, and/or recyclable

All items for production must come with SDS (Safety Data Sheets) detailing any hazardous compounds contained therein.

We strive to only use vendors who:

- Reduce greenhouse emissions
- Conserve energy, water, and other natural resources
- Minimize their use of toxic materials
- Reduce packaging and other waste
- Minimize transportation (local sources or combined distribution)

Because stock (paper) is our largest consumable, we only purchase from paper vendors and mills who are SFI-certified (Sustainable Forestry Initiative) and practice chain-of-custody sustainability standards.

Green Printing Initiatives

We continually seek technologies and new methods to reduce our lasting impact upon the environment. Over the last decade, we have switched from metal-based inks and coatings to only soy inks, aqueous (water-based) coatings, or UV inks and coatings, which produce no VOCs (Volatile Organic Compounds). We will continue to adhere to these practices until or unless we are presented with a more progressive alternative.

Energy and Water Consumption

In an effort to conserve energy, all machines are powered down when not in use. A manager on each shift will walk through the building to ensure that no extraneous energy consumption is occurring.

When purchasing new machinery, consideration will always be made for efficiency of energy consumption and water use.

Water consumption pertaining to machinery and production practices is overseen by managers, to ensure that all employees are making a concerted effort to not waste water during their daily tasks.

To further reduce our water consumption, we do not utilize a sprinkler system or other methods to water our facility's lawns or shrubs. We do, however, tend to our employee garden and encourage all employees to take part in that as a sustainable food source.

Handling of Materials, Chemicals, and Waste Products

The safety of our employees is paramount for our company and every effort will always be taken to ensure their health and safety, as well as those of our end users. SDS sheets will be provided for any purchased items with chemical compositions. Yearly safety training is conducted by our Safety Manager and is mandatory for all employees in the production facility.

Specific guidelines will be given for handling each type of chemical and/or waste product, and must be adhered to.

After production, all remaining amounts of the following consumables are recycled: stock, plates, plastics, packaging, cardboard, ink, and toner.

Customer Safety Considerations and Recyclability

We pledge to be transparent with all of our customers about the chemicals they can expect to be present in our end products. Full details will be provided and documentation will be given upon request.

All of our printed products are recyclable. Our boxes and packaging materials are biodegradable.

We will continue to make every effort to create products that leave no lasting impact on the environment.