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Smurfit Kappa Group ('SKG' or 'the Group') acknowledges that the continuous improvement in its environmental performance, in a commercially viable way, is fundamental to the Group's business strategy. This Environmental Policy complements the Group's business objectives in supporting sustainable development.

SKG is committed to ensuring that the human and natural environment with which the Group interacts as a company is protected both today and into the future as SKG continues to use resources in managing its business. SKG will achieve this through the efficient use of these resources (wood fibre, water, energy), preventing pollution, minimising waste and the promotion of recycling.

The Smurfit Kappa Environmental Policy applies to all operations within the Group.

SKG operates its production units in compliance with the permits granted and regulations that apply to them. Changes in environmental legislation will be implemented accordingly in an economically efficient manner.

SKG will ensure its operations are managed under environmental management systems and measured against recognised international systems.

Where wood fibre-based material is used as raw material in the process, SKG has developed a policy to promote certification of forests in line with internationally recognised schemes and to ensure that no wood from controversial origins is used in its supply chain.

SKG will maintain and demonstrate its responsible approach to water use as a low consumer of water and will continue to reduce the organic content of water discharged.

SKG has set environmental targets and objectives, measuring and reporting actual performance against these. Environmental impacts are considered and judged when developing new products and processes. SKG is committed to reduce its fossil CO₂ emissions and to play its part as we move to a low carbon, circular economy.

SKG seeks to continuously improve its energy efficiency. SKG has as a key objective to produce heat and electricity using the more efficient techniques that are available and to convert its waste to energy whenever possible.

SKG is committed to re-use its waste as much as is economically and technically feasible to minimise the amounts of waste sent to landfill.

SKG seeks to earn the respect of the people and the communities where it is active. SKG engages and actively supports local communities through its operations locally and its related Foundations.

SKG will continue to work closely with customers to help each other in achieving mutual targets on sustainability.

SKG's suppliers' relationships are governed by its Sustainable Sourcing Policy and the Supplier Code of Conduct.

SKG will communicate transparently and publicly about its environmental data and impacts. SKG will continue to engage with stakeholders on environmental issues. SKG will educate its employees to ensure that its environmental goals are achieved.

SKG will evaluate its Environmental Policy regularly in light of new developments in the area of sustainability.

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