

**CGGVeritas** recognizes that active concern and responsibility for the environment is an integral part of the way in which we conduct business. **CGGVeritas** recognizes that environmental protection is the collective responsibility of governments, businesses, communities and individuals.

**CGGVeritas** believes that economic growth, social responsibility and responsible management of the environment are the foundations of sustainable development for present and future generations. Line management has responsibility for achieving specific objectives which support this Policy.

**CGGVeritas** is committed to continually improving its environmental performance and the prevention of pollution by undertaking the following:

#### Compliance:

- Establish and maintain compliance, as a minimum, with all applicable legislation, regulatory requirements and industry standards for the protection of the environment.

#### Relationships with other parties:

- Develop and maintain open and constructive relationships with environmental groups, regulatory agencies, customers, institutions, communities and employees in the countries of its activities.

#### Risk Management:

- Conduct project specific environmental risk assessments (ERAs), consistent with ISO 14000 standards, to identify actual and potential environmental aspects and impacts and assess their significance;
- Where significant potential impacts exist, develop, implement and maintain, in conjunction with appropriate authorities, a project specific environmental management plan;
- Develop emergency response plans for environmental incidents to mitigate potential environmental impact. Involve contractors in development of these plans as appropriate;
- Measure environmental performance throughout the life cycle of each project;
- Work with contractors to develop Environmental awareness.

#### Environmental Practices:

- Promote environmental best practices within CGGVeritas activities, including the sharing of experience and the continued support of research and development in environmental improvement initiatives;
- Adopt waste management strategies that promote waste minimization (reduce, re-use and recycle) and pursue initiatives aimed at reducing atmospheric emissions;
- Respect and protect environmentally sensitive areas and zones where endangered species are present.

#### Education:

- Train, inform and mobilize CGGVeritas employees and contractors to ensure its activities are conducted in an environmentally responsible manner;
- Develop employees' awareness of environmental issues and their responsibilities under this policy.

#### Management review:

- Strive to continually improve CGGVeritas environmental performance by periodically reviewing its Environmental policy and the Environmental Management System within our Sustainable Development Management System (PRISM);
- Publish information about environmental performance as part of the CGGVeritas annual report.

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