

St AUSTELL PRINTING COMPANY ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT 2007

Following our initial audit report carried out by Envision in July 2006, we have been developing and implementing an EMS (Environmental Management System). This will aid us at SAPC to set and achieve measurable targets for key performance criteria.

To enable us to create an EMS we have set out objectives, indicators and targets. Since most of the objectives started in January 2007, the targets cannot be measured until January 2008.

Key areas for our baseline assessment are:-

1. Waste: - Handling, storage and disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous waste. To work with compliance and understand legislation for the use and disposal of waste.
2. Energy: - Reduce overall energy consumption. Record and measure usage per month and look for any erratic patterns.
3. Purchasing: - Where possible, purchase environmentally friendly goods from suppliers that share the same ethos as ourselves and then pass these benefits onto our customers.

In January 2007 we have changed the whole of our waste stream and divided it into 2 areas, hazardous and non-hazardous. All hazardous waste is now stored in a secure shed and is handled by J & G Environmental who remove from site and dispose of all waste safely. We aim to follow this up with staff training for the handling of hazardous waste in the event of an emergency, and to comply with legislation with local authorities. All non-hazardous waste is also separated into 2 areas, waste for recycling and waste for landfill. Last year it was estimated that we generated 70 tonnes of waste paper, 40% went to recycling and 60% to landfill. Now we estimate that 95% of the waste is going to recycling, with further investigating taking place to increase this amount nearer to 100%.

In the original energy audit carried out by Envision, it was suggested that most of the lighting could be changed over to low energy lighting. As the cost of this in the short term would far outweigh the savings that would that could be benefited, it was agreed not to exchange the lighting, but to introduce a light and energy saving programme. This is more beneficial in areas such as the print and finishing rooms where a large amount of lighting is required throughout the day but only a section of lighting is needed during early and late working shifts.

We have now completed our Environmental Policy which is available to customers should they request it. This is soon to be added to our web-site and will be reviewed annually.

Staff awareness is now visible in all departments and further training should ensure that set targets can be measured and achieved.

Report carried out August 2007 and to be reviewed annually.

Signed:

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