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Environmental Policy

Environmental Policy Objective:

At our tobacco processing units in, we recognize the paramount importance of environmental responsibility and its profound impact on our business. We understand that a harmonious relationship with the environment is essential for long-term sustainability and success. Our commitment to environmental stewardship is rooted in our understanding of the far-reaching implications of our actions.

Scope:

This environmental policy applies to the entire scope of our operations, extending to:

- **Management:** Our leadership team is dedicated to setting and exemplifying environmental standards, ensuring the integration of sustainability into our decision-making processes.
- All Operational Units: This policy encompasses all departments and functions within our operations, holding each accountable for their environmental performance.
- All Employees: Every member of our workforce, from executives to laborers, is expected to actively support and adhere to our environmental policy. Their commitment is crucial to achieving our sustainability goals.
- **Contractors:** We require all contractors working on our premises to align with our environmental standards and adhere to applicable laws and regulations.
- **Suppliers:** We engage with our suppliers to encourage environmentally responsible practices throughout our supply chain, fostering a shared commitment to sustainability.

Policy:

Renewable Energy Commitment: Our tobacco processing units pledge to adopt renewable energy sources like solar and wind power to reduce fossil fuel dependency and cut carbon emissions.

Fossil Fuel Phase-out: We are actively working to eliminate fossil fuel usage in our operations, including machinery and transportation, and seeking cleaner alternatives.

Energy Efficiency: Implementing energy-efficient technologies and practices throughout our facility is a priority, aimed at lowering energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.

Responsible Water Management: We commit to responsible water management by minimizing usage and implementing water recycling and rainwater harvesting systems for conservation.

Waste Reduction and Recycling: We prioritize waste reduction by focusing on recycling, reusing, and minimizing waste generation during tobacco processing and packaging.

Emission Control: We will employ advanced emission control technologies to limit air pollution and adhere to local environmental regulations.

Noise Control: Measures will be taken to minimize noise pollution from our operations, including sound barriers and scheduling noisy activities during off-peak hours.

Greening Initiatives: Our unit will engage in greening initiatives, such as tree planting and landscaping, to improve the facility's aesthetics and contribute to local biodiversity.

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Community Engagement: Recognizing our responsibility to the local community, we will address concerns, share information about our environmental efforts, and support the community through outreach programs.

Compliance and Employee Responsibility: We will strictly adhere to environmental laws and regulations, acquire required licenses, and periodically review and update our policies for compliance. All employees are expected to support this policy, actively participate in our environmental objectives, and report concerns or suggestions for improvement.

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