



## **Saint-Gobain Building Distribution UK & Ireland Environmental Policy**

***“Respect for the environment, minimise the impact of our activities”***

Saint-Gobain Building Distribution (SGBD) UK and Ireland are a leading distributor of building materials and heating and plumbing products. Many of these materials and solutions can be found in our living places in buildings and associated infrastructure providing comfort and safety while addressing the challenges of sustainable construction, resource efficiency and climate change.

SGBD UK & Ireland’s environmental policy is to continually improve its environmental performance and be carbon neutral by 2050. We all need to protect the environment preventing pollution and going beyond the requirements of compliance obligations. This means the natural environment within our sites as well as the ecosystem that surrounds them, such that we can be accepted as a trusted and welcomed neighbour that aims not to deprive resources from the communities in which we work and live.

SGBD is committed to achieving our Environmental objectives:

- To implement, operate and continually improve a formal environmental management system (ISO14001).
- To continually enhance our environmental performance by:
  - Reducing waste to landfill and increasing recyclability of packaging materials.
  - Increase the efficiency of energy usage to reduce the carbon burden from our services and processes.
  - Seeking biodiversity improvement opportunities within branches and local communities
  - Monitoring and reducing water usage.
  - Preventing pollution to land, water and air.
- The Company will provide sufficient training, information and guidance to enable employees and others to work in accordance with this Policy.
- Progress against specific objectives and targets will be reported on a regular basis and at least annually at specific Management Review meetings.
- To purchase responsibly by taking the environmental performance of our suppliers and their processes into account, striving towards excellence in products and services over entire life cycles.

This Environmental Policy is communicated to all people working for SGBD UK and Ireland and is available to the public via our website [[www.saint-gobain.co.uk](http://www.saint-gobain.co.uk)] or on request. Open communication will be maintained on environmental issues both within and outside of the organisation.

This Environmental Policy will be reviewed periodically and updated as required.

**Mike Newnham, Chief Executive, Saint-Gobain Building Distribution UK & Ireland**