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Annex

Examples of existing Environmental Policy statements are linked here:

IGS Sustainability Statement:

https://www.geosyntheticssociety.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/IGS Sustainability Statement Dec 2021.pdf

https://www.kingsleyplastics.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/E03-Environmental-Policy-Statement-Dec-2017 Signed.pdf The objectives on page two are quite comprehensive, it is signed and dated and future activities are outlined.

http://www.geosyn.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/Environmental-policy-statement-June-15-Signed.pdf Brief but more specific to geosynthetics and civil engineering

https://www.veolia.com/en/csr-performance-corporate-social-responsibility The Veolia website, commentary and goals are extensive with reported tracking data and a published annual performance report (linked https://www.veolia.com/en/csr-performance-corporate-social-responsibility The Veolia website, commentary and goals are extensive with reported tracking data and a published annual performance report (linked https://www.veolia.com/en/csr-performance-corporate-social-responsibility The Veolia website, commentary and goals are extensive with reported tracking data and a published annual performance report (linked https://www.veolia.com/en/csr-performance-corporate-social-responsibility

<u>https://www.cpchem.com/sustainability</u> The sustainability section of one of the largest suppliers to the geosynthetics industry. A single "statement" is lacking but the link <u>here</u> highlights the goals and connects to an annual reporting section.

This process is covered in significantly more detail and scope in an ISO document and program: ISO 14001:2015. An environmental management system (EMS) is "a system and database which integrates procedures and processes for training of personnel, monitoring, summarizing, and reporting of specialized environmental performance information to internal and external stakeholders of a firm". The most widely used standard on which an EMS is based is International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001.

The abstract of this document states:

ISO 14001:2015 specifies the requirements for an environmental management system that an organization can use to enhance its environmental performance. ISO 14001:2015 is intended for use by an organization seeking to manage its environmental responsibilities in a systematic manner that contributes to the environmental pillar of sustainability.

ISO 14001:2015 helps an organization achieve the intended outcomes of its environmental management system, which provide value for the environment, the organization itself and interested parties. Consistent with the organization's environmental policy, the intended outcomes of an environmental management system include:

- · enhancement of environmental performance;
- fulfilment of compliance obligations;
- · achievement of environmental objectives.