



The Chemical Company

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## **BASF Construction Chemicals Americas Environmental, Health and Safety Policy**

BASF Construction Chemicals Americas, which includes Construction Systems Americas and Admixture Systems North America, recognizes its responsibility to protect the health and safety of the public, its employees, contractors and customers and the environment in the conduct of its business. In this endeavor we will comply with all applicable governmental and internal environmental, health and safety requirements. Our internal standards may be more rigorous than those proscribed by statutory requirements. It is our conviction that sound business management and the protection of the environment and human health and safety are mutually achievable objectives. BASF Construction Chemicals Americas and each employee is committed to the following principles:

- Every employee has responsibility for Environmental, Health and Safety (EH&S) according to his/her functional responsibilities and training. Educational and instructional programs to ensure that employees know, understand, and comply with EH&S laws and regulations will be routinely conducted.
- As we strive to satisfy the needs of our Customers, products will be developed, produced and sold in compliance with both regulatory and Corporate EH&S requirements. Known hazards will be communicated to potentially affected persons. Products will not be produced or sold that present an unacceptable risk to the environment, to human health or safety, when used, handled, stored, distributed and disposed of utilizing reasonably proscribed EH&S guidelines and processes.
- Facilities will be designed and operations will be conducted in such a manner as to avoid unacceptable risk to the environment and/or human health and safety.
- Periodic audits of both active and inactive facilities, business systems, and key suppliers will be impartially and professionally conducted to ensure they are safe, environmentally sound, and contribute to the intentions of this policy. The elements of Quality, Safety, and Environmental responsibility are to be included as criteria in selecting Suppliers.
- Potential releases to the environment will be minimized. Resources, including energy, will be conserved through responsible pollution prevention and product stewardship.
- Adequate resources and focus will be provided to achieve both continuous improvement and sustainable development in these Principles, our Products and Processes.
- Participation with government agencies, the public, interested groups, and industry associations will be provided to support the development of reasonable and scientifically sound laws, regulations and public policy. Likewise, appropriate participation will be undertaken in the Responsible Care initiatives of the Countries in which we conduct business and operations.

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