ECCA Sustainability Statement

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- Cooperate with regulatory authorities at European level in the development of sustainable best practice, legislation and related topics.
- Communicate with its members on a regular basis with regard to proposed and new legislation and documentation from government and regulatory authorities.
- Help its members understand the principles of sustainability and the environmental effects of their products and processes, by circulating appropriate information and promoting best practice.
- Encourage its members to adopt recognized best practice in the management of environmental and health & safety issues.

Monitor progress of the coil coating industry against a series of sustainability-related Key Performance Indicators and communicate this on a regular basis.

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Managing a sustainable Industry

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The focus on energy efficiency has been successful. For example, installation of more efficient VOC destruction systems (Regenerative Thermal Oxidisers), upgrading the curing oven configuration and optimising the overall process management on the coil coating lines have helped decrease the total energy consumption by 17% since 2008.

Alongside concerns about future energy security, the question of climate change and the availability of clean water is a very significant global concern. In this context, ECCA feels that it is imperative that our industry critically examines in all its operations the environmental impacts of its actions.

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Energy

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The increase in energy demand and the environmental demand due to both energy and water usage is a major concern in the coil coating industry. ECCA has targeted a major reduction in energy consumption by using more efficient production methods and upgrading the curing oven configuration. The data clearly shows that the increase in the number of lines adopting a safety management system is a positive sign.

Utility

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Recyclability

The European Coil Coating Industry (ECCA) as the representative body of the European coil coating industry, is committed to developing a financially stable industry with a high level of social responsible to employees and stakeholders and an attitude of continuous commitment to sustainability.

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