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SUBJ: VISTA ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT IMPACT

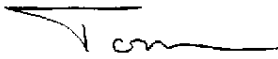
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In San Antonio it was decided that each plant or facility would review the policy statement elements and give me feedback on what you believe to be the practical impact of implementing policy. The general areas of impact to be considered are listed below.

To assist you in this effort, I suggest that for each element you provide a list or description of existing programs, planned programs, or past work done in the area covered by the element. It is understood that some of the programs would cover more than one element area, such as waste minimization, and that some may be "corporate run", such as new product development or auditing. Any thoughts on measurement will be appreciated.

Also, you can refer to the Environmental Manpower Needs Assessment Study to help you with manpower projections.

I need your input by the first week of June. Please let me know if you have questions on how to provide your input.


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VISTA CHEMICAL COMPANY ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Vista Chemical Company produces and transports chemical products that can potentially impact the environment in the communities in which we conduct business. Vista believes that compliance with all laws and regulations related to environmental quality and public health protection is a *minimum* standard of acceptable practice. Vista Chemical Company is committed to improving Vista's environmental protection efforts to achieve performance levels exceeding those required by law.

Vista recognizes the responsibility we have to our employees, the surrounding communities, customers, carriers, contractors and government agencies to conduct our business activities according to the following environmental principles:

- Vista will inform and educate employees, surrounding communities, customers, carriers, contractors and government agencies of the health and environmental hazards of the chemicals we make, use and sell. These activities will involve recognizing and responding to community concerns regarding environmental issues.
- Vista will continually reduce the risk to employees and neighboring communities posed by chemical substances used, produced and transported within our communities.
- Vista will continue to reduce the potential for emergencies involving chemical releases that would impact the environment and surrounding communities.
- Vista will foster and maintain an awareness of and sensitivity to environmental responsibility among our employees through an ongoing internal communication program.
- Vista will maintain an environmental quality assurance program to ensure that operations are in full compliance with Company policies and procedures, governmental permit limitations and regulatory requirements.
- Vista will determine how each new or existing product can be made, used, handled and disposed of while protecting employee safety, public health and the environment.
- Vista will make safety, health, environmental control and waste minimization essential and integral parts of process and facility design, construction and operation.
- Vista will reduce waste generation in the air, water and soil through employee involvement and the pursuit of source-control technology to reduce emissions from both the manufacturing process and equipment.
- Vista will work with the government and other parties in developing responsible laws, regulations and standards to protect employees, surrounding communities and the environment.

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Develop lists of programs or work undertaken, or planned or underway, for each element - beginnings of both internal and measurement system

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