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Environment Policy

ENVIRONMENT POLICY

ABB is a leader in power and automation technologies that enables utility and industry customers to improve performance, whilst lowering environmental impact. We aspire to create value for our stakeholders by meeting the needs of our customers, employees and the communities where we undertake business.

We strive to reduce our own environmental impact. We contribute to eco-efficiency and environmental stewardship in the communities and countries where we operate. Our core businesses offer energy-efficient systems, products and services, which enables our customers to lower their use of energy and natural resources.

Environmental management is one of our highest business priorities and we are committed to:

- Conducting our operations in an environmentally sound manner by applying environmental management systems, such as ISO 14001, in all our operations and by applying environmental principles, such as commitment to continual improvement, legal compliance and awareness training of employees, in all our operations worldwide
- Promoting environmental responsibility along the value chain by encouraging suppliers, sub-contractors and customers to adopt international environmental standards
- Developing our manufacturing processes with focus on energy and resource efficiency
- Conducting regular audits of our facilities' environmental performance and in connection with acquisitions, divestments and mergers
- Transferring eco-efficient technologies to developing countries
- Developing and marketing products and systems which are resource efficient and facilitate use of renewable energy sources
- Declaring environmental performance of our core products by publishing environmental product declarations based on life-cycle assessment
- Including environmental aspects in the risk assessment of major customer projects
- Ensuring transparency by producing an annual Sustainability report, based on GRI requirements and which is independently verified

The environment policy is an integral part of ABB's commitment to sustainability and is embedded in our strategies, processes and day-to-day business throughout the ABB Group.