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## **TRANSPORT POLICY**

Stormking is the UK's largest manufacturer of GRP building products. The company is a leading local employer, based in Tamworth, Staffordshire.

Stormking is committed to continuous improvement in its transportation performance, and that of its major suppliers, in order to minimise its impacts on the environment. Those impacts may be characterised broadly as:

• Use of energy (various forms of fuel)

Stormking will record and monitor its use of diesel, and emissions from FLT movements powered by diesel, electricity & LPG. These are the only form of energy inputs that are expected in transportation terms.

• Emissions to air, land and water expected in the normal course of delivery operations Stormking will monitor mileages for its delivery fleet and will normalise these values against production tonnages to monitor efficiency and express this in terms of CO2 output. Other emissions are not expected except those exhaust particulate emissions that will occur in the normal diesel combustion process. These will be minimised by the regular introduction of higher-level Euro compliant vehicles.

• Accidental Emissions (spills, escapes etc.)

All accidental spills will be recorded whether they occur on the premises or away from the Stormking site. Such spills will be reported at senior management level and appropriate action taken to reduce the likelihood of their reoccurrence. These may be characterised as loads shed in the case of a vehicle accident. Other spills and emissions would not be expected.

Noise

Stormking will be mindful of the potential for noise pollution generated by and around its yards and delivery movements and will take all practicable measures to reduce and mitigate it.

• Packaging

The company will regularly review its already minimal form and level of packaging for transportation and distribution and will wherever possible seek to minimize the amount of non-recyclable and non-reusable materials and to maximize the use of reusable transit packaging.

## Monitoring

In order to achieve this Stormking will continuously monitor:

• The mileage and MPG of its own delivery fleet

• The business mileage and fuel performance of the lease vehicles operated by the sales force and senior management

## Targets

In order to ensure continuous improvement Stormking will:

• Set annual targets for reduction in the CO2 output of its own delivery fleet.

This policy will be periodically reviewed and amended when necessary.

• Monitor the mileage of sub-contractor's transport and work with them to reduce their transport impacts by decreasing the number of transport movements required.

• Monitor the business miles travelled and, where economic constraints allow, reducing the environmental impact of company cars.

All targets and results will be monitored and reported on at senior management level.

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## **Specific Actions**

• The Stormking transport fleet will be regularly updated to continue to take advantage of improvements in emission levels and fuel usage.

• Regularly maintain the fleet to a high standard

• We will use our own modern fleet on longer routes and use subcontract vehicles only when necessary, moving forward the Stormking fleet will be expanded with modern Euro compliant vehicles thus gaining more control over transport movements and reducing the reliance upon sub-contractors' fleets.

• Monitor load utilisation to maximise loads and reduce mileage.

• Improve fuel usage through driver training both for commercial and private/business use.

• Use low noise electric vehicles/FLT trucks for movements where local residential noise sensitivities exist.

• Restrict all truck movements to the hours of 04.00am to 10.00pm

In addition, Stormking will encourage all employees to reduce their dependency on private motorised transportation and to adopt other means of getting to and from work where practicable, such as cycling (Cycle to Work Scheme), walking and public transport.

This policy will be periodically reviewed and amended when necessary.

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