

Environmental Policy

Branston has three potato packing sites, situated in Lincolnshire, Somerset and Scotland. Each site is exclusively engaged in the receipt, grading, washing, packing and distribution of potatoes and sweet potatoes for a number of retail and wholesale customers. The Lincoln site also contains a standalone Prepared factory engaged in the production and packing of ready-to-cook food products for retail, foodservice and business customers.

With a total handling capacity in excess of 400,000 tonnes per year we recognise that our operations impact on the environment in a number of ways, and we are committed to reducing these impacts whenever practically possible.

In particular we shall:

- Adopt a top down approach to environmental improvement, with senior managers and directors providing leadership by actively engaging and supporting the Environmental Policy.
- Create a transparent approach to environmental management and openly communicate with all interested parties.
- Comply with legal and other requirements applicable to environmental aspects.
- Demonstrate understanding of the organisation's impacts by integrating environmental management into business operations. This is achieved by planning environmental protection through sustainable resource use (including lifecycles), prevention of pollution and limiting environmental impacts.

- By taking a strategic approach we achieve continual improvement in environmental performance by continually improving our Environmental Management System and focusing on areas of significant environmental impact. We systematically review and measure our performance against key performance indicators and formulate environmental objectives to facilitate such continual improvement.
- Demonstrate understanding of the needs and expectations of interested parties by ensuring employees, suppliers and contractors engaged in Branston are aware of how they can affect the organisation's environmental performance. Where we are in a position to influence their environmental performance we will do so in a positive and collaborative manner.
- Audit operations on a regular basis to identify risks and opportunities and to highlight actions required to prevent recurrences of potential areas of poor performance.

This policy has been devised, and is fully supported, by the Board of Directors of Branston Ltd.



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James Truscott
Managing Director