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Pro lacto Lacticínios de São Miguel S.A. is dedicated to the production of dairy products and their derivatives, and its Environmental Sustainability Policy is as follows:

SUSTAINABLE VALUE CHAIN

PROLACTO believes that to be successful in the long term, it must generate value for its shareholders while also generating value for society. Therefore, we not only guarantee compliance with all applicable legal provisions, but we also ensure that the principle of sustainable development is integrated in our daily activities and in our products.

PROLACTO respects, is aware of, and commits itself to apply environmentally friendly practices in all its activities, with the objective of minimizing environmental impacts through the preservation of natural resources. PROLACTO is committed to fully comply with environmental legislation, to continuously improving the environmental performance of our activities, products, and services, and to preventing pollution throughout our Environmental Management System. We assess and optimize environmental impacts and responsibly source raw materials, packaging materials, and other goods and services from suppliers who demonstrate continuous improvement in their environmental performance. All this also allows us to satisfy our customers, while giving them even more reasons to trust the Pro lacto brand. We also aim to meet the expectations of employees and external stakeholders regarding our environmental responsibilities and practices.

ENVIRONMENTAL PRINCIPLES

In order to comply with its environmental commitment, the factory proposes to carry out all its activity while ensuring correct performance in the environmental arena, and to adopt a long-term pro-active attitude – developing preventive measures to improve environmental performance in various areas. Regarding the specificities of our food and beverages business, we focus on the preservation of natural resource water, the efficiency of natural resources, the conservation of biodiversity, the reduction of atmospheric emissions, the adaptation to climate change and the zero-waste target.

1. Research and Development

We consider environmental impacts when developing new products and improving existing processes. We incorporate environmental sustainability objectives when we design, build, and renovate facilities. We also systematically assess and optimize environmental performance throughout the value chain from the earliest stage of development of both new and re-designed products.

2. Raw Materials Supply

PROLACTO sources its raw materials directly from farmers, processing plants, or traders. We promote environmental sustainability in the value chain by closely working with our suppliers to apply good environmental practices and reduce the impact of the value chain.

3. Production

We seek to optimize processes and apply more efficient technologies that allow us to reduce energy and water consumption, minimize waste production, sustainably managed renewable energy sources use, recovery of by-products value, and control and eliminate emissions, including greenhouse gas emissions.

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4. Packaging Material

We seek to use packaging materials from recycled materials whenever possible. We also promote recycling and environmental sustainability.

5. Distribution

The process of delivering products of the highest quality and in a timely manner from the factory plant to the client is a fundamental part of our business. We seek to optimize the supply chain and reduce its environmental impact.

6. Human Resources

We train and inform our employees on environmental awareness. We develop and promote effective communication with employees, (recognizing their initiatives to improve environmental performance. We promote recycling and waste recovery with everyone's involvement.

7. Legislation

We comply with the legal legislation in force. We monitor, evaluate and communicate our observed developments regarding the reglementary status, in order to reflect them in our strategy and our processes.

RELATIONS WITH EXTERNAL PARTIES

We ensure that everyone entering our factory perimeter has the necessary information and appropriate training needed to carry out their activity in harmony with the environment protection. We consider the fulfillment of this verification an important step in the supplier selection.

We provide adequate information and openly communicate the nature of our activity and the progress that leads to environment protection. We collaborate proactively by making long-term commitments with stakeholders, including regulators, the scientific community, customers, partners, civil society, and the community in order to define, implement, and evaluate solutions to the complex environmental challenges we face today.

CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

Like all areas of our factory, environmental issues are constantly evolving. From the measurement, evaluation, and control of the different work situations, preventive or corrective measures are taken with the aim of continuously improving environmental performance and thus preventing pollution.

THE ENVIRONMENT IS EVERYONE'S COMMITMENT

The environment concerns everyone in our factory, and its preservation depends upon their involvement, attitude, and commitment. This commitment, as well as the education and training of each employee is crucial, as is recognition for their initiatives to improve environmental performance. It is up to each one of us to lead by example and to seek and propose new ways to improve and reduce the environmental impact of our activities.

Pela Prolacto - Lacticínios de São Miguel, S.A.

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