Carbon Policy Statement

DUTY OF CARE

The Robert Horne Group is committed to progressively minimising the contribution to climate change of its products and services. This will be achieved by appropriately managing direct and indirect emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases.

The key aspects of this policy are:

- Robert Horne will work to identify its own carbon (or equivalent) emissions. These include, but are not limited to, those caused by energy consumption at warehouses and offices, business travel and logistics.
- Robert Horne will work to achieve a 20% reduction in carbon (or equivalent) emissions by 2010, based on 2006 figures and pro-rata to growth.
- Robert Horne will investigate the feasibility of utilising renewable energy sources with a view to adopting such technology where possible.
- Robert Horne will engage with suppliers to identify and limit emissions attributable to products and to develop low carbon product options.
- Robert Horne will, where appropriate, develop options for credibly offsetting the greenhouse gas emissions of its products and services. When carbon offsets are utilised, they will always be in addition to efforts to measure and avoid or reduce the underlying emissions and will be in line with recommendations published by environmental groups and Government guidelines.

Managing carbon emissions is a long-term commitment that will be realised through a stepwise approach that utilises the best available techniques and information. The Robert Horne board takes responsibility for the maintenance of this policy, which is reviewed annually to ensure continuous improvement.

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