



CENTRAL SCIENCE LABORATORY

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

CSL is an Executive Agency of the UK Government Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs. We specialise in the sciences underpinning agriculture for sustainable crop production, environmental management and conservation and in food safety and quality. Arising from the research we carry out is a wide range of analytical, diagnostic and consultancy services designed to support the international land-based and food industries.

CSL Headquarters is situated on a new purpose-built prestigious laboratory complex outside York; the organisation currently employs c700 Staff.

CSL is committed to working to continually improve its environmental performance, prevent pollution and to comply with all applicable legislation and other requirements and, so far as practicable, recognised best practice in environmental management.

Where appropriate and practicable, emphasis is placed on:

- using utilities in a responsible and economic way to minimise negative impacts on the environment;
- managing waste according to our duty of care, and minimising volumes going to landfill, by careful purchase and recycling wherever possible;
- managing fuels and hazardous substances to minimise risks;
- purchasing supplies which are recycled and recyclable, and whose production and use minimises the consumption of natural resources;
- conserving resources by ensuring that buildings and fittings are properly maintained;
- adopting strategies to minimise the environmental impacts of business travel;
- preserving and enhancing biodiversity whenever possible.

Each year, objectives and targets for our environmental performance are set and reviewed in accordance with the procedures established under the CSL Environmental Management System, for which CSL has gained ISO 14001 accreditation, externally certified by an accredited body.

(Signed by)
Chief Executive Officer
11th April 2007
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