



Exopack

## **Exopack - Sustainability Initiatives and Activities**

As a packaging manufacturer, Exopack has a dual role to play on the journey to sustainability. Exopack is focused on:

1. Minimizing the environmental impacts from our manufacturing processes and identifying opportunities to promote sustainability through more efficient use of energy and raw materials while
2. Providing our customers with packaging that is designed to meet performance requirements while minimizing environmental impact.

Our corporate EHS Policy establishes our commitment to continually drive to minimize the environmental impact of our operations. Our goal is nothing short of 100% compliance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

At Exopack, our journey toward sustainability begins with our processes. It is here that the greatest impact can be made. Process goals focus on improving production technologies.

1. Energy consumption which results in direct and indirect emissions of Greenhouse Gases, especially Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).
2. Air emissions, particularly Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's)
3. Landfill disposal of solid and hazardous wastes
4. Water consumption

The packaging products we produce also play a role. Product goals focus on designing for resource conservation and recovery.

1. Utilize materials that are safe for all end-of-life scenarios
2. Maximize package efficiency
3. Maximize use of renewable and recycled materials
4. Design for recycling or composting

Compliance is now considered to be the minimum acceptable effort with respect to pollution. Exopack's strategy is evolving into one of minimization. This strategy is a multifaceted approach involving every part of the business. Exopack has taken steps to identify those environmental impacts it believes are most relevant from its North American manufacturing operations. Using 2005 as a baseline year, we have begun compiling annualized data as a basis for reporting on our progress.

As a packaging manufacturer, Exopack recognizes the importance of closing the cycle by producing a product where materials are minimized and recovered. Our commitment to packaging sustainability focuses on four objectives.

1. Utilize Materials that are Safe for All End-of-Life Scenarios
2. Maximize Package Efficiency
3. Maximize Use of Renewable and Recycled Materials
4. Design for Recycling or Composting

Exopack is committed to find sustainable solutions for flexible packaging by working with the Sustainable Packaging Coalition and the Flexible Packaging Association to find the best materials and end-of-life solutions for its customers. We're fortunate to have everything we need. At Exopack we're employing our imagination to develop ways to harness the abundance around us in a fashion that provides for today without compromising the future.

Please check back often for updates on the journey to sustainability.