ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS

Motto:

„The idea of the fibreboard production is: to manage the wood economically from the so called poor selection, …, to create a valuable product."

/Dr. András Winkler /

The aim of the ***KRONOSPAN-MOFA Hungary Ltd.*** – proclaimed and published with the MO-MIR-00 Quality Control Manual 2. Quality policy[1] – is to completely fulfil the all-time requirements in the standards and on the market, and to meet the concrete demands of customers.

Additionally its goal is to achieve the satisfaction of the company's customers with reliable, competitive products.

The KRONOSPAN-MOFA Hungary Ltd. as fibreboard producer and processor strives to develop **environment-friendly production processes** to influence **the quality of the human life**, and therefore to produce **environment-friendly products**, as well to secure the sustainable development by its wood purchase policy, proclaimed and published with the MO-MIR-00 Quality Control Manual.

To secure all of these – in accordance with the concrete demands of the customers – our HDF/MDF products has got low content and emission of formaldehyde and are certificated by **IKEA-CARB-EPA** (and/or compliance with **GPCO** regulations), rather by **FSC®** or by **PEFC®**[1].

The KRONOSPAN-MOFA Hungary Ltd. pays particular attention to comply with its production technology which conforms with the Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2119 about the establishing best available techniques (BAT) conclusions and its products with the environment-friendly conditions, the relevant valid EU- and Hungarian legislations, the legally binding standards, the decisions, regulations of the administrative departments, the requirements of the market and of the customers. **Our products are environment-friendly,** which do not pollute the environment after usage, they can be further utilized, theirs destruction according to regulations is possible without negative effect of the environment.

The **KRONOSPAN-MOFA Hungary Ltd.** follows the relevant EU- and Hungarian legislations and the standards, and will continuously comply with the requirements listed in them. For this purpose it has processes to form the all-time environment-friendly goals, to implement programs resulting these, and it regularly controls its activities which can damage the environment.

In order to realize its environment control goals, the **KRONOSPAN-MOFA Hungary Ltd.** operates

an Environment Control System

extending over its activities and drawled up by the standard **MSZ EN ISO 14001:2015**. With this system in its present form the company wants to comply with the regulations of the relevant valid EU- and Hungarian legislations by reducing the environmental impacts and by prioritizing the prevention. This activity must be characterized by sophistication and continuous development.

The KRONOSPAN-MOFA Hungary Ltd. is proud of its role acting in relation to the environment, which it plays in the wood supplier chain. By threating the wood frugally and using it from the so

[1] http://kronospan-mofa.hu/Minoseg/Dokumentacio.html

called poor selection in the production of HDF/MDF fibreboard typically used as ground material of furniture enabling the sustainable development, and in accordance with the growing demand for the wood caused the human population on the Earth and the growth of the standard of living, the company is practically securing that the line wood is usable for other industrial purposes as a scarce material (specially in Europe) and the wood gets a highly esteemed role in the company's business and wood purchase policy, in its social engagement and in its produce practice.

The company tries to achieve the maximum of the utilization of the incoming materials and the usage rate of the by-products. Together with its suppliers it can achieve to produce with the minimal environmental damage on the most efficient and sustainable way.

The company's goal is to maximally use the SBF solid bio-fuel and SRF solid recyclable fuel with the higher utilization of the purchased wood, to minimalize the waste from the wood (<3%) and to produce CO_2-neutral energy and to reduce of its carbon footprint. In addition it invests much in those processes, where it can efficient get energy from the wood-based, emission-neutral raw material.

The company is a constant and determinant part of the industry for fibreboard-production using the best available techniques (2119/2015 EU BAT). It can secure its partners, that the suppliers does not use wood from the following categories: wood harvested illegally/has origin from illegally trade, wood harvested from genetically modified trees or from protected/threatened species, from national parks, from national reserves or from other protected areas; it can assure that the civil rights of the suppliers, health and labour regulations are followed, and it only uses controlled wood for the production, and all of these are confirmed by the compliance with the EU-Wood Regulation and the regularly renewed FSC and PEFC standards (CoC) for forestry, which can be controlled on public webpages[2].

The company uses poor wood-species to produce a product with excellent quality and low emission (certified by EPA-CARB-GPCO, E-LE[1]). By increasing of the woods lifecycle, it reduces our forests ability for CO_2-fixation; and this way it effectively support the sustainable development.

The company processes and uses, stores and let destroy the chemical materials in an environment-friendly and secure way. Its aim is to make the minimal impact for the environment and to minimalize the wastes, which can entrain into air, soil or water. All waste products are sorted as much they can be and will be recycled primarily in its material. All materials needed to recycling are secure processed, stored and used bearing the environmental protection in mind.

The company continually controls the utilization of water and energy in order to reduce theirs level. Energy audit is regularly hold, and there is a continuously supervision by energy desk officers. These processes are supported by the Environmental Control System according to standard MSZ EN ISO 14001:2015, too.

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