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### **Statement**

This policy supports the Group's Health and Safety and Environment (HS&E) Policies.

Prime embraces the Department of Environment and Climate Change strategy for low carbon industry in the UK and is committed to becoming a Low Carbon Business through its policies and procedures.

The company strives to maintain best practice, seeking continuous improvement and innovation within all Group businesses and activities. This is achieved by reviewing the Key Performance Indicators, the setting of objectives and targets and the implementation of its Health and Safety and Environment Management Systems, with Group companies certified to BS EN ISO 14001:2004 Environment and once achieved, BS OHSAS18001:2007 Occupational Health and Safety.

This policy will be delivered by raising awareness and gaining the commitment of management, employees and other stakeholders, and will be implemented through the Group's HS&E Management Systems.

### **Energy and Fuel Policy**

Prime's policy is to identify and act on opportunities to improve energy efficiency, and reduce both financial and energy wastage, thus making a positive contribution to profits and reducing the company's adverse impact on the environment.

As part of our environmental strategy, we are committed to the cost-effective management of energy and will practice energy efficiency in all our premises. We will manage the fuel consumption of our vehicles, plant and equipment, and provide for energy efficient manufacturing and conversion processes, all leading to reduced resource waste.

The Chief Operating Officer has lead responsibility for policy implementation within the Group.

## **Aims**

Prime aims to:

- Reduce energy consumption across the business through a range of actions including improved measurement and monitoring; energy awareness and switch off campaigns; selection of energy efficient plant and equipment, and energy auditing.
- Reduce fuel consumption through the selection of fuel efficient vehicles; a routine maintenance programme to ensure ongoing vehicle efficiency; fewer journeys through inter-company cooperation and vehicle sharing, and awareness and training programmes.
- Reduce embedded carbon in our products by reducing waste and efficient fuel and vehicle use.
- Measure and control fuel and energy consumption

Energy Management activities are subject to periodic reviews through the internal HS&E audit team.

## **Environmental Committee Meetings and Annual Management Review**

This Policy will be reviewed annually as part of the Management Review process.

## **Action Plan**

The action plan for carbon management activities will be reviewed and revised as part of our Annual Management Review.

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