



## **Environmental Stewardship – AbbVie Position**

At AbbVie, each day, we strive to find safer, smarter, more sustainable ways to run our business. We seek innovative ways to improve the health of patients, operate responsibly, be stewards of the environment, and actively engage the communities where we work and live.

We recognize the environmental risks associated with our operations both locally and globally and put in place programs to address such risks. We focus on key areas of environmental stewardship - energy, water, waste, pharmaceuticals in the environment and environmentally responsible procurement.

### Energy

AbbVie strives to understand our current and future energy use and emissions, balancing the competing objectives of business operations and minimizing environmental impact. We have implemented a global energy management program focusing on reducing the energy we consume and reducing our carbon footprint.

To achieve this, we:

- Establish absolute reduction goals to reduce our carbon footprint.
- Set aggressive goals to increase the amount of renewable energy we consume.
- Invest in technology and infrastructure to reduce our carbon footprint through the implementation of energy efficiency programs, projects and improvements at our manufacturing, research and commercial facilities around the globe.
- Incorporate energy efficient design into the construction of our new facilities.
- Promote energy efficiency with our vehicle fleet.

### Water

AbbVie recognizes the importance of access to clean, safe water and sanitation, and understands the potential impacts our operations can have on this vital resource. Our patients, customers and employees depend on this increasingly scarce resource and we are committed to managing and reducing the water we use.

To achieve this, we:

- Establish absolute reduction goals to reduce our water withdrawal including non-contact cooling water.
- Collect and analyze the quantity and quality of our water intake, discharge and consumption at our global manufacturing and research facilities.
- Evaluate water risk at our global manufacturing and research facilities annually and focus our efforts on the portion of our total global water consumption that occurs in water-stressed areas.
- Acknowledge our business dependency and potential impact on water and our responsibility beyond regulatory compliance to fulfill obligations for responsible water use, stakeholder awareness and education.



## Waste

AbbVie recognizes the need to effectively manage waste to protect human health and the environment. At our global manufacturing and research facilities we generate both hazardous and non-hazardous waste. We put controls and programs in place to reduce risk, minimize waste generation and use waste disposal alternatives such as beneficial use and recycling.

To achieve this we:

- Establish absolute reduction goals to reduce the amount of hazardous and non-hazardous waste generated, increase recycling rate and achieve zero waste to landfill by 2035.
- Evaluate opportunities to reduce, reuse and recycle materials, and implement initiatives where practical that will reduce waste generation.
- Characterize waste streams to determine waste classification and proper disposal methods.
- Routinely audit the procedures and practices of third-party waste management providers to verify our waste is properly managed and disposed.
- Ensure that waste management training is provided to AbbVie employees and contract workers before they undertake responsibility for hazardous waste management activities.

## Pharmaceuticals in the Environment

AbbVie is committed to monitoring our operations to ensure that the manufacture, use and disposal of our products do not adversely affect human health or the environment. We support continuing research to further understand issues surrounding pharmaceuticals in the environment, which can guide what we do in the future.

To achieve this, we:

- Provide regulatory authorities with environmental risk assessments that are used to evaluate potential environmental risks associated with patient use of our medications.
- Continually evaluate the potential for environmental risks of our active pharmaceutical ingredients.
- Partner with industry organizations such as the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) and the European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA) in order to improve methods to identify and quantify environmental risks.



### Environmentally responsible procurement

AbbVie is committed to reducing its environmental footprint through an [Environmentally Preferable Products \(EPP\) procurement policy](#). During the procurement process, we consider goods and services that minimize potentially harmful effects on the environment and human health, when compared with competing products and services of comparable function and value.

To achieve this, we:

- Consider and promote favorable environmental factors of procured products including, among other factors, recyclability, biodegradability, and elimination of toxicity.
- Integrate responsible environmental, health and safety (EHS) language into our contract templates to ensure that our EHS stewardship expectations are clearly communicated to suppliers of key products and services.