

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT







SYSTEM



A strong environmental concern is part of Cortec's past & future as Cortec® produces and sells products that protect materials of all kinds from environmental degradation. A strong commitment to produce biodegradable products and to use sustainable resources has been and will be our future policy.

As soon as the ISO 14001 guidelines were published in 1996, Cortec[®] made the commitment to become ISO 14001 certified. In March 1998, Cortec[®] Corporation became one of the first companies in Minnesota to receive ISO 14001 certification.

This pamphlet details Cortec's
Environmental Management System. In
this system, as in our ISO: 9001 system,
management is fully committed to maintaining and improving its effectiveness.

Sustainable Development for Cortec®

Cortec[®] commits to continued development of new and replacement products made from sustainable and biodegradable resources.

Cortec® Environmental Management System (EMS)

Vision

Cortec[®] will improve the environmental performance of our products and processes to provide a better world for future generations.

Mission

Cortec's EMS will ensure compliance to global environmental regulations while maintaining continual improvement of the environmental system.

System Elements

Regulations

Identify and comply with all regulatory requirements that affect Cortec's operations and products.

Environmental Management Plan

Develop and maintain environmental plans that define environmental aspects, goals, plans of action, and assignment of responsibilities.

•Environmental Operating Procedures

Controlled document standard operating procedures (SOPs) to ensure processes/ activities are carried out as specified.

Environmental Assessment

Verify performance and identify opportunities for improvement through self assessment and third party verification.

Continual Improvement

Set objectives and targets which reflect Cortec's commitment of continual improvement of our environmental management system.

Application

The EMS provides guidance to all employees and includes:

- Development of strategic plans and business objectives with concern for environmental opportunities and challenges.
- Implementation of the system elements.
- Personnel trained in environmental technology that train and assist others.

Results and Benefits

- Minimization of Cortec's impact on the environment.
- Improved customer satisfaction.
- Employee pride and satisfaction.

Cortec® Environmental Policy

At Cortec® Corporation, we are committed to:

Developing, implementing and reviewing a plan that defines the organization's environmental goals, objectives and targets

Preventing environmental pollution problems

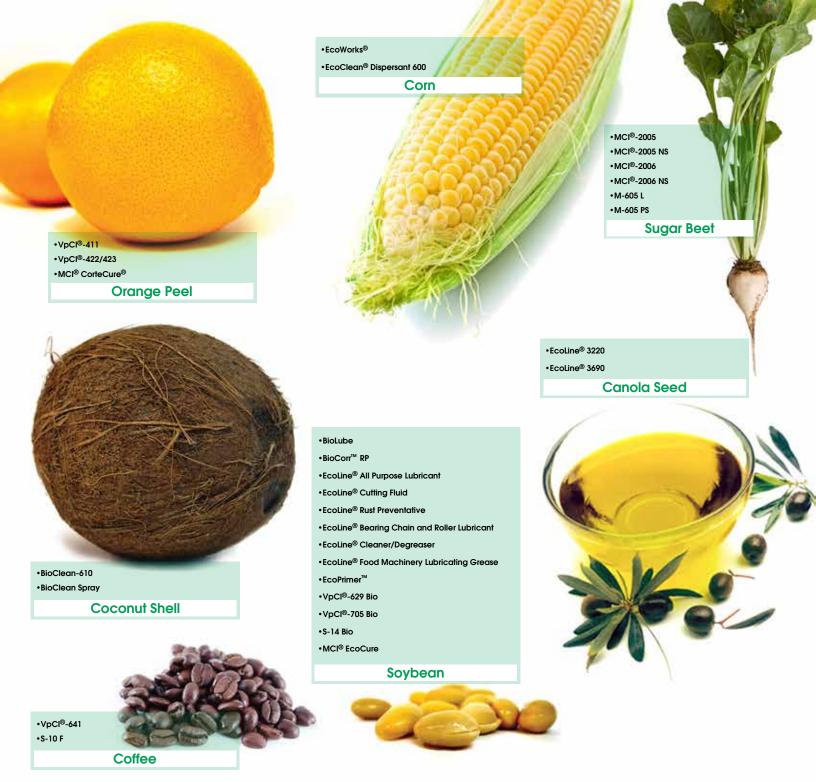
Conserving natural resources through reclamation and recycling

Complying with all legal and other requirements that apply to the organization's operations related to its environmental aspects

Continual improvement of the environmental performance of our products, services, and processes

Assisting our customers in dealing with environmental challenges

The continued development of products that are created from sustainable and biodegradable resources



Cortec® products derived from sustainable resources

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