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Allied's Corporate Responsibility

Allied Printing Services, Inc.'s (Allied's) corporate responsibility efforts are aligned with our strategic business plan and integral to all our relationships with employees, customers and communities. Allied's Code of Conduct is in compliance with the Electronic Industry Code of Conduct. Allied complies with the Labor, Health and Safety, Environmental, Management System, and Ethics standards of the Electric Industry Code of Conduct.

Allied's Corporate Sustainability and Environmental Management Program is administrated and managed by its President, Senior Vice Presidents, Vice Presidents, and Quality & Compliance Manager according to its ISO 9001 Quality Management System, and ISO 14001 Environmental Management System Certifications.

We are committed to upholding the human rights of workers and to treat them with dignity and respect. We recognize that in addition to minimizing the incidence of work-related injuries and illnesses, a safe and healthy work environment enhances the quality of our printing services. Allied Printing Services, Inc. has specific responsibility to ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

Allied recognizes that environmental responsibility is integral to world class services and products. We are committed to being a positive and creative force in the protection and enhancement of the local and global environment. Allied's Sr. V.P. Operations has specific responsibility to ensure compliance with the environmental laws and regulations related to the Company.

The fundamental principal of Allied's environmental policy is to minimize any negative impact to the environment while conserving natural resources. Using education, technology and administrative controls, we continuously assess our processes and practices to identify areas for reduction in energy, waste and emissions and making the earth a greener place. We approach sustainability the same way we approach everything else we do: with our Operating Values in mind.

Allied Printing Services, Inc. undertakes due diligence to attempt to determine if "conflict minerals" may be used in our products. Conflict minerals are described as Gold (Au), Tantalum (Ta), Tungsten (W) and Tin (Sn) that are sourced from the Democratic Republic of Congo or adjoining countries from mines controlled by non-governmental military groups. We do not directly source any of these materials in our products.

Allied will take all reasonable measures to meet the following targets:

- Minimization of generated waste through reduction, reuse and recycling
- Efficient use of energy through management controls and routine practices
- Efficient use and conservation of water through management controls and routine practices
- Minimize and, where possible, eliminate noise and odor pollution
- Minimize, substitute and, where possible, eliminate the use of hazardous chemicals in processes and operations
- Comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations

Allied Printing Services, Inc. is ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management System Certified. Allied is a Small Quantity Generator of hazardous waste and follows the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection's requirements applicable:

- To perform and maintain waste determinations
- To only store waste on-site for less than 180 days
- To only accumulate less than 2,200 lbs. (1,000) kg of waste on-site at any one time
- To comply with preparedness and prevention procedures
- To post emergency contact information next to the telephone
- To develop and maintain a written inspection program
- To obtain an EPA Identification Number
- To train our personnel
- To manifest our waste using the uniform hazardous waste manifest
- To comply with Department of Transportation rules
- To "close" our hazardous waste storage area in accordance with the regulations if we discontinue its
 use
- To certify on manifests that a good faith effort has been made to minimize hazardous waste generation
- To either comply with Universal Waste rules or manage the waste as hazardous
- To comply with Used Oil requirements

To meet our social responsibilities, we uphold the highest standards of ethics including standards of fair business, advertising and competition. Appropriate means are taken to safeguard customer information and programs are in place to ensure the confidentiality and protection of customers and employees.

Allied is in compliance with all related contractual requirements of its clients/customers.

Sustainability Operations

Allied is committed to being a positive and creative force in the protection and enhancement of the environment. Allied provides a safe and healthful workplace, protects the environment while conserving natural resources.

Allied follows the Greenhouse Gas Protocol, an internationally recognized greenhouse gas accounting standard. Under the Protocol, greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) are classified in one of these Scopes.

Scope 1: **Direct GHG Emissions;** These are emissions that arise directly from sources that are owned or controlled by Allied Printing Services, Inc., for example, from fuels used in our heating systems or the company vehicles.

Scope 2: **Electricity Indirect GHG Emissions;** These Emissions are generated by purchased electricity consumed by Allied Printing Services, Inc. 100% of scope 2 derives from a sustainable source.

Scope 3: Other Indirect GHG Emissions; Scope 3 is an optional reporting category that allows for the treatment of all other indirect emissions. Scope 3 emissions are a consequence of the activities of the company, but occur from sources not owned or controlled by the company. Some examples of Scope 3 are annual volume of waste sent to landfills, metals, paper and other attributes of our recycling program.

Allied's Scope 1, 2 and 3 Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Allied's greenhouse gas footprints are based on the best practice carbon reporting standards of the Greenhouse Gas Protocol, developed out of a partnership between the World Resources Institute and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development. By following the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol, which is widely regarded as the gold standard for carbon reporting. Using this framework ensures transparency, consistency, and alignment with global best practices for measuring and managing emissions. By establishing voluntary environmental numeric goals, Allied is taking a proactive approach to not only meet regulatory standards but also to exceed expectations in terms of sustainability.



Scope 1 – Direct Emissions

EMISSIONS (Metric Tons CO²)

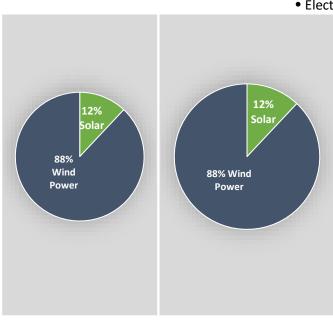
Natural Gas	2021 999	2022 1045	2023 2055	2024 3093
Gasoline/Diesel Company Vehicles	15	14	15	14
• Propane	8	9	6	6
Scope 1 - Total- Metric Tons CO ²	2021 1022	2022 1068	2023 2076	2024 3113

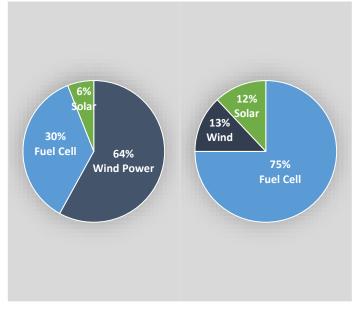
Scope 2 – Indirect Emissions











20210 Metric Tons CO²

2022 0 - Metric Tons CO² **2023** 0 - Metric Tons CO² **2023** 0 - Metric Tons CO²

Total Metric Tons CO² Footprint of Scope 1 and 2

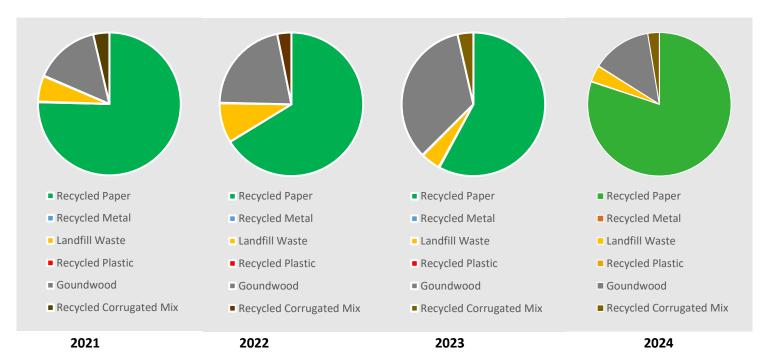
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Scope 3 - Waste Recycling

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
• Recycled Paper Lbs.	8,271,198	10,169,387	6,300, 889	10,380,516
• Recycled Metals Lbs.	16,082	21,908	19,109	20,055
• Landfill Waste Lbs.	610,929	783,460	475,910	471,620
• Recycled Plastic	20,183	19,452	15,377	13,484
• Recycled Ground Wood	1,973,408	2,003,933	3,690,338	1,742,678
• Recycled Corrugated Mix Lbs.	447,074	492,638	387,399	337,285



Environmental BenefitsOf



In June 2015: Allied Printing Services, Inc. installed one of the largest rooftop arrays in the State of Connecticut, 4,540 solar panels. This 1.4-megawatt system generates 12%—14% of our electricity from clean, renewable energy directly from the sun, which is a great contribution to lowering our environmental impact.

2022 Benefits:

2023 Benefits:

2024 Benefits:

Generated – 746,671 kWh

Generated – 656,020 kWh

Generated - 1,362,984 kWh

Solar Lifetime Benefits:

Generated - 7,694,785 kWh

Trees Saved – 208,874

Coal Offset - 92,074,522 Lbs.

Fuel Cell



In May 2023: Allied Printing Services, Inc. installed a 700kW fuel cell system that converts natural gas fuel into electricity through an electrochemical process without combustion at the highest efficiency of any power solution available in the world today. The fuel cell provides Allied with 58% of its electrical needs. Combined with our rooftop solar array, one of the largest in Connecticut, we generate up to 75% of our own electricity for our 24/7 facility. The integration of both solar and fuel cell energy solutions helps reduce Allied's carbon footprint while providing reliable, continuous energy.

2024 Fuel Cell Benefits:

Electric Output – 6,091,122 kWh

CO² Offset Reduction – 895,220 Lbs.

Allied's Water Usage

Wherever possible, we try to replicate best practices in our manufacturing facility. This is especially true when it comes to environmental improvements, such as water reducing technologies. Everything we do is working toward the ultimate goal of conserving resources and best practices.

Allied's strategies to reduce water usage include:

- Efficient state of the art equipment
- Treatment of waste water

Total water usage (hcf)	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
	1,627	2,165	1,937	2,053

Environmental Training

Allied places such a strong emphasis on environmental training, aligning it with employees' roles and responsibilities. Ensuring that everyone has up-to-date knowledge of legal requirements and company policies not only boosts compliance but also encourages a culture of environmental stewardship within the organization.

Internal Audit and Management Review

Allied uses audits and self-assessments as part of the ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 Management Review ensures that our environmental program is continuously evaluated and improved. By integrating it into the broader quality and environmental management system, Allied can identify gaps, make data-driven decisions, and align environmental goals with overall business objectives.

Suppliers

Allied cascades environmental responsibilities to our suppliers, which helps ensure that the entire supply chain is aligned with Allied's environmental goals and commitments. By involving suppliers, where are not only improving the sustainability of our operations but also encouraging responsible practices throughout the entire value chain.