## **Environmental Policy Statement**

As the UK's leading ports group, Associated British Ports (ABP) owns and operates 21 ports, in England, Scotland, and Wales, and handles approximately a quarter of the country's seaborne trade. ABP's ports, together with the other transport-related businesses that constitute the ABP group, form a UK-wide network handling a wide range of cargoes. The group's other activities include rail operations, ship's agency, dredging (UK Dredging), and marine consultancy (ABPmer).

ABP's key environmental and energy commitments are listed below. ABP's environmental and energy management system has processes and procedures in place, which are periodically reviewed to work towards these commitments.

## It is ABP's policy to:

- Establish and maintain an environmental system (EMS), that incorporates the energy management system, with a planned approach designed to achieve continual improvement
- Comply with all applicable environmental and energy legal requirements and other compliance obligations that relate to our business
- Protect the environment, including preventing pollution and contamination and minimising disturbance by ensuring that each business unit has the best tools in place to operate effectively
- Respond to environmental incidents or emergencies in order to reduce our impact upon the environment.
- Provide appropriate and relevant training and information to all colleagues working for or on behalf of ABP
- Prepare for the consequences of climate change via risk assessments and strengthening our business resilience
- Set objectives and targets for continual improvement in environmental and energy performance of significant environmental aspect and energy uses
- Promote awareness and personal responsibility on the part of employees at all levels
- Provide the resources needed to establish, implement, maintain and improve the management systems and the resulting environmental and energy performance
- Support the design and procurement of more environmentally sensitive and energy efficient products and services
- Manage all of the above via an environmental management system integrated with other business processes

Environmental and energy performance, objectives and targets will be reviewed annually as part of the Management Review. This review will provide reports on performance of the EMS along other environmental risks and opportunities to the Executive team.

This Policy applies equally to all employees of ABP and its subsidiary companies and it is the responsibility of all employees to adhere to any environmental procedures, guidance or instructions as part of our environmental management system that implements the requirements of this policy.

The Environmental Policy will be communicated internally to all employees, tenants and contractors working for or on behalf of the organisation and will be made available to the public via the internet and our public reports.

This policy will be kept up to date, particularly as the business changes in nature and size. To ensure this, the policy statement will be reviewed at least annually.

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