











Consumption Data

As part of our commitment to the environment, we strive to reduce energy used, and the amount of waste material sent to landfill, in line with our Energy and Waste Minimisation policies. It is our intention to regularly monitor and improve our environmental performance, through objectives and targets, and to publicly report relevant consumption data, as detailed below:

Energy

The company used electricity and gas as the main energy sources in 2015. In 2015, we used 68.24kWh of electricity/£1000 turnover (down 5.5% on 2014) and 47.62 kWh of gas/£1000 turnover, compared to 47.94 kWh/£1000 in 2014, a small improvement which we hope to better in 2016.

Overall energy usage in 2015 was 115.85 kWh/£1000, an improvement over 120.17 kWh/£1000 in 2014.

Waste

We use recyclable packaging and endeavour to eliminate waste, where possible. Cardboard, paper, pallets, metals and electrical waste are all recycled by the company. General waste is sent for sorting and recycling by a registered waste carrier, with less than 5% going to landfill. In 2015, the company disposed of 3.72kg/£1000 turnover of general waste, compared to 4.19 kg/£1000 turnover in 2014. We also recycled 18.57 tonnes of cardboard during this period.

Packaging

MSEL complies with the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations (Northern Ireland).

The company used 6.53 kg/£1000 turnover of packaging materials in 2015, compared to 6.59 kg/£1000 turnover in 2014. This continued reduction is due to the increased use of returnable and bulk packaging.

Water

Water consumption is generally low, but we endeavour to reduce usage, and recycle, where possible. Our water usage in 2015 was 0.102 units/£1000, compared to 0.104 units/£1000 in 2014. For 2016 we have increased efforts to re-use water further in our testing procedures, and expect to see an improvement going forwards.

Travel

While we endeavour to use electronic communications, video and conference calls, in line with our Travel Policy, it is not always possible to avoid travel.

Our business travel cost for 2015 was 0.95% of overall turnover, compared to 1.11% in 2014. We have introduced further video conferencing facilities with the aim of reducing this considerably for 2016.



