

#### ***4.1.5 : Provide summary report of the previous year's EMS progress against targets***

Volac International Ltd completed the transition to ISO 14001:2015 standard on the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018. We have received regular surveillance visits from Lloyds Registered Quality Assurance. Surveillance visits were carried out on 12th October 2022 following ISO 14001 certificate renewal.

#### **Monitoring**

Both external and internal audit has focused around the environmental aspects and legislative compliance. No non-conformances were raised from LRQA.

#### **Measuring**

The annual reporting data on the Effluent stream indicates that the site continues to operate within the permit.

Factory performance has been steady through 2022. The potable water recovery continues in operation.

| <b>Primary Energy Use</b>      |                             |                             |                             |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Energy Carrier</b>          | <b>Primary MWh<br/>2022</b> | <b>Primary MWh<br/>2021</b> | <b>Primary MWh<br/>2020</b> |
| Electricity from Public Supply | 19044                       | 17146                       | 14694                       |
| Gas Oil                        | 0.00                        | 0.00                        | 0.00                        |
| LNG                            | 61.044                      | 62109                       | 60949                       |
| Biomass Wood                   | 54803                       | 133730                      | 142613                      |
| Kerosene                       | 396                         | 512                         | 179                         |

#### **Environmental Complaints**

No complaints were received directly to the factory.

#### **Plant Failures and Accidental Releases**

100 reports have been raised to date; these reflect instances where it has necessitated the **controlled** disposal of product due to various reasons as above. These do not constitute fugitive emissions.

There was no reportable incidence to the NRW.

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**On-going Improvements**

The prevention of pollution through suitable process design, waste management and the efficient use of materials and resources continues.

The site water usage is a priority for improvement, and we continue to run the potable water recovery and re-use process to utilise the filtered final effluent. Various initiatives are being actioned driven by monthly water systems and energy consumption reports.

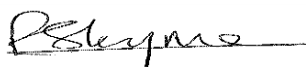
Building on our ISO 50001 certification and to promote continual improvement various energy saving initiatives are continuing to be implemented. The integration of meter reading software has helped to identify ways to improve energy efficiency.

The Biomass CHP plant is running well using sustainable wood as fuel and continues to be our primary energy supply.

**System Conclusion**

The EMS is effective and Volac continues to demonstrate that it is meeting its policy objective with respect to legal compliance, pollution prevention and continual improvement as above. Meeting and exceeding where possible the specific requirements relating to our permit.

Signature:

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Date:

27.01.2023