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## **UN Global Compact**

### **Environment**

**Principle 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges.**

**Principle 8: Undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility.**

**Principle 9: Encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.**

Mercato del Golfo (MDG) have worked under the auspices of ISO 14001 in remote and challenging areas since 2003 including Iraq, Lebanon, and Kuwait. As such, MDG will be preparing to seek ISO 14001 certification in the future. Included in the qualification process will be the development of a corporate environmental management system.

Our Life Support & Construction contracts involve both preventative actions and the incorporation of environmentally friendly / recycling initiatives. Examples include the safe processing of waste, fuel overspill basins, recycling of aluminium cans, metals and plastic water bottles, and the use of biodegradable catering materials. In many projects, a percentage of the proceeds of recycling initiatives are contributed to local educational initiatives.

MDG gives priority to ISO 14001 qualified suppliers. When sourcing materials and supplies we require a Material Data Safety Sheet (MSDS) that we provide to our clients.

Environmental spills or contamination have an immediate reporting requirement. Refuelling stations are equipped with spill kits, and fuel storage tanks are enclosed in concrete spill containers capable of holding 110% of the tank contents. Catering Operations feature special cooking oil collection areas and grease traps to prevent soil contamination.

MDG is in the process of developing waste management charts that is to include specific handling for each type of domestic and industrial waste, i.e.: batteries, tires, concrete, light bulbs, plastic, aluminium, spent brass, iron, glass, oil soaked clothing and rags, paper, wood, kitchen waste, and chemicals.

Employees are furnished with appropriate Personal Protective Equipment such as overalls, gloves, eyeglasses, hearing protection, reflective vests and safety shoes to ensure that anyone coming into contact with Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT) is protected. Training is continuous for both recognizing and responding to environmental incidents.

MDG personnel will be undertaking ISO 14001 Internal Auditor training as part of the company seeking ISO 14001 certification.