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There are many shades of green.

Each of us brings our own shade of green to the effort. Together, we can make the world a better place.

Our Statement on Sustainability

"We aim to create lasting stakeholder value through responsible growth and deep commitment to the well-being of future generations. We cherish the earth's natural resources and hold sustainability and environmental protection as our key priorities."

As our company fulfills its responsibilities to our customers, shareholders, employees and the public, six commitments provide a framework for focusing our energies toward the greatest good:

- Product Stewardship
- Green Building Development
- Social Accountability
- Environmental Preservation
- Regulatory Compliance
- Economic Responsibility

Our Products Reflect Stewardship

We base our business on producing environmentally friendly goods that enhance the lives of our customers and bring value to the markets we serve. Our emphasis on low-emitting products protects indoor air quality through the achievement of the Business and Institutional Furniture Manufacturer's Association (BIFMA) Furniture Emissions Standard (FES). Our products earn the Indoor Advantage mark and the Sustainable Choice mark from Scientific Certification Systems (SCS). These certifications add the assurance of compliance by independent third parties.

By giving customers the option of Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified wood, we offer products that are not only economically viable, but are environmentally responsible and socially beneficial. Likewise, we are exploring new ways to incorporate rapidly renewal resources, such as bamboo, cork and other plants with short growing cycles.

National casegoods include a recycled material content of at least 82 percent. A wide range of 100 percent

recycled polyester choices are available for upholstered seating products while our packaging contains an average of 30 percent recycled content.

What's more, our manufacturing facilities are registered to the ISO 14001 standard. This management tool enables us to identify and control the environmental impact of our operations, continually improve our company's environmental performance and systematically set environmental objectives and demonstrate their achievement.

We are a Product of our Environment

The National story begins with our parent company, Kimball International. We sprang from this culture, a way of life rooted in responsibility. The environment is our home, and we are committed to protecting and enhancing our world.

We see our legacy as more than quality furniture. It is also a reverence for nature, which inspires our resolve to protect, nurture and preserve nature's gifts. Renewable hardwood resources are fundamental to our heritage. Our reforestation efforts date to 1963, when Kimball International purchased 228 acres and planted 34,000 seedlings. Today, more than half a million plantings have taken root under our care.

We share this passion for nature with our neighbors and the communities in which our employees live and raise their families. In 1990, we began our "Trees for Tomorrow" outreach in which we provide our employee families, community partners and business associates with seedlings and educational assistance in an ongoing program to support long-term beautification efforts in their community.

[Kimball International Environmental Policy Statement](#) ▶

Growing With Green Buildings

National Facilities testify to our belief in sustainable building practices. Pursuing guidelines set by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), we prioritize building practices that support the LEED® (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System. Benefits to LEED certification include reduction in energy, water, and material use, leading to a reduced environmental impact making our green buildings healthier and more comfortable.

LEED® Registered Projects

Showroom, Jasper, IN - LEED Gold

Research and Development Rooms, Jasper, IN - LEED Certified

Showroom, Chicago, IL - LEED Silver

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