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EcoVadis Silver Sustainability Rating

## for Asia Pacific Rayon

Asia Pacific Rayon (APR) is pleased to announce it was awarded a Silver rating by EcoVadis in recognition for our <u>Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)</u> achievement. This result places APR in the top 25 percent of all companies assessed by EcoVadis.

This was the first EcoVadis assessment for APR, a leading viscose staple fibre producer in Indonesia who commenced production in early 2019. APR is committed to continuously building on its existing robust, sustainable and ethical procurement framework and improving the environment and social performance of <u>its operations</u>.



"Silver EcoVadis rating demonstrates our alignment with international best practices and emphasises that our commitment to sustainable and ethical procurement practices are material," said Susan Slabbert, APR Sustainability Specialist.

EcoVadis is internationally recognised as a trusted business sustainability rating and independent assessments of CSR management systems performance for businesses across multiple industries.

The EcoVadis methodology is based on International sustainability standards (Global Reporting Initiative, United Nations Global Compact and ISO 26000) and is monitored by a scientific panel of CSR and supply chain experts in order to create reliable CSR ratings. Thousands of companies use the EcoVadis platform every month to respond to CSR assessment requests from customers, set and maintain corrective action plans and centralize CSR-related documents. EcoVadis has been tested on over 75,000 users, spread across more than 160 countries and 200 industry sectors.

EcoVadis has defined 21 CSR criteria embedded in their industry and facility specific questionnaire, grouped into four themes: Environment, Labor and Human Rights, Ethics, and Sustainable Procurement which is subject to expert analysis by EcoVadis and results in a set of strengths and improvement areas for each theme.

"At APR, sustainability is fundamental for our operation. Wherever we operate, we have responsibility to support and enhance the livelihoods of our people and our communities," she concluded.

## **About Asia Pacific Rayon:**

Asia Pacific Rayon is the first integrated viscose rayon producer in Asia. Located in Pangkalan Kerinci, Riau, the company uses the latest production technology to produce high-quality rayon to meet textile needs. APR is committed to becoming a leading viscose rayon producer with the principles of sustainability, transparency and operational efficiency, serves the interests of the community and the country, and provides value to customers. APR is part of the RGE (Royal Golden Eagle) group of resource-based manufacturing companies. Sustainability is fundamental to APR. The <u>APR Sustainability Policy</u>, updated in September 2020, includes additional commitments on pulp sourcing and clean manufacturing.

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