

Organisational overview continued

Integrating sustainability into Omnia's long-term objectives



We believe in building a better future by... **contributing to a safe and sustainable world**

Omnia believes in **zero harm, positive impact**. We want our people to arrive at work trusting in their safety and knowing that they will return home without harm. The Group strives to limit its environmental footprint, which means investing in environmentally friendly products, services, solutions and processes. This will also positively impact customers and suppliers. As such, Omnia subscribes to the principles of Responsible Care®, an international initiative which falls within the custody of the Chemical & Allied Industries' Association (CAIA).

About Responsible Care®

Responsible Care® is the chemicals industry's own unique, global initiative. It is a voluntary programme that helps it raise its standards and win greater trust from the public. Responsible Care® envisages a profitable, sustainable chemicals sector in South Africa that contributes to the quality of human life and to the economy through innovation and production, without harm to people, property or the environment. Responsible Care® aims to ensure that South Africa's chemicals sector is recognised by all stakeholders as a responsible industry playing an important role in bringing a wide range of benefits to society, while remaining open, honest and credible in all its dealings.

Under Responsible Care®, the worldwide chemicals industry is committed to continuously improving all aspects of health, safety and environmental performance and to open communication about its activities and achievements. It is Omnia's commitment to sustainability – the betterment of society, the environment and the economy.

Through Responsible Care®, CAIA member companies strive to do the right thing, even when no one is looking. They innovate for safer and greener products and processes and work to continuously improve their environmental, health and safety performance. The initiative is essential in the reduction and elimination of risks and to the implementation of sustainable development. In terms of international trade and the standards demanded regarding safety, health and environmental (SHE) practices, it is a strategy for survival and growth and for maintaining a competitive advantage.

Core to Omnia's value proposition is the creation of innovative products and solutions that cater for the health, safety and environmental requirements of its customers and other stakeholders. Omnia's solutions promote the responsible use of chemicals for safety and environmental impact, with a progressive shift towards greener technologies.

Omnia's sustainability strategy is fully aligned with the group's vision and overall business strategy and forms an integral part of how the day-to-day business is conducted.

Aligning Omnia's strategy with the SDGs

Omnia recognises the role we must play in helping to address the wider global sustainability issues of energy consumption, climate change, water scarcity and food security. Efforts to address social and environmental challenges align strongly with the global SDGs and local development agendas, such as South Africa's National Development Plan. With the Group's dependency on natural resources and reliance on the efforts of many people, the viability of the business requires sustainable development. Six priority SDGs have been identified for direct alignment to Omnia's core business. An additional three priorities, which are embedded within the business strategy, have also been highlighted.