Chemistry is essential to the products and services that help make our lives safer, healthier, and better. Through the Responsible Care® initiative and the Responsible Care Global Charter, Grace and the chemistry industry have made a worldwide commitment to continually improve environmental, health, safety, and security performance.

Throughout the development, manufacture, and delivery of our products and services, Grace adheres to our Environment, Health, and Safety Management System and to the following commitments:

• To lead in ethical ways that increasingly benefit society, the economy, and the environment.
• To design and develop products that can be manufactured, transported, used, and disposed of or recycled safely.
• To work with customers, carriers, suppliers, distributors, and contractors to foster the safe and secure use, transport, and disposal of chemicals and to provide hazard and risk information that can be accessed and applied in their operations and products.
• To design and operate facilities in a safe, secure, and environmentally sound manner.
• To instill a culture throughout all levels of our company to continually identify, reduce, and manage process safety risks.
• To promote pollution prevention, minimization of waste, and conservation of energy and other critical resources at every stage of the life cycle of products.
• To collaborate with organizations and governments at all levels in the development of effective and efficient safety, health, environmental, and security laws, regulations, and standards.
• To support education and research on the health, safety, environmental effects, and security of products and processes.
• To communicate product, service, and process risks to stakeholders and to listen to and consider their perspectives.
• To make continual progress toward a goal of no accidents, injuries, or harm to human health and the environment from products and operations, and to openly report health, safety, environmental, and security performance.
• To seek continual improvement in the integrated Responsible Care Management System® to address environmental, health, safety, and security performance.
• To promote Responsible Care® by encouraging and assisting other companies to adhere to these guiding principles.

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