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At Balco, we recognize the social, economic and environmental value of water and the increasing global concern of conservation of water resources. We understand that water is a key resource and needs to be used responsibly and optimizing its uses.

Balco strives to:

- ❖ Understand its water footprint at all its projects and operations, and shall optimally balance the use thus minimizing fresh water consumed by re-processing as much water as possible in its processes and encouraging rainwater harvesting wherever feasible;
- ❖ Comply with applicable national, regional and local regulations;
- ❖ Identify water conservation projects through reduction, recycling and reuse and monitor progress against water consumption reduction targets across our businesses. We shall avoid pollution of surface water, ground water and other water resources resulting from our operations;
- ❖ Treat all wastewater to best practice standards and ensure zero discharge;
- ❖ Determine baselines, develop monitoring methodology and improve water quality;
- ❖ Work with communities and communicate with all its stakeholders on the progress and performance of water conservation and water management.

We will measure and report progress against this policy and review performance on a periodic basis to ensure continuous management of water resources. The content and implementation of this policy will be reviewed periodically and actions taken accordingly including the sharing of good practices throughout the organization.



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