

A.I.S.E. Charter for Sustainable Cleaning

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

(Version 1.4, 24 May 2007)

An **Agreement** between _____
("Company") with its principal place of business at _____

(address of headquarters or registered office) and the Association Internationale de la Savonnerie, de la Détergence et des Produits d'Entretien ("A.I.S.E.") with its legal seat at 15A, Herrmann Debroux, 1160 Brussels, Belgium ("A.I.S.E."), dated _____, 200__

WHEREAS

The A.I.S.E. Charter for Sustainable Cleaning ("Charter") is intended to promote sustainable development in the manufacture of household and industrial cleaning and maintenance products placed on the market in the Charter region ("Relevant Product");

Relevant Products may bear the Charter Logo on pack and in related information provided those products have been manufactured under the conditions applying to Ordinary Members of the Charter;

The company named on the unit of final consumption of a Relevant Product and to whom any complaint would normally be addressed by the user or consumer is the regarded as the company responsible ("Company Responsible") for the purposes of the Charter and this Agreement;

Any manufacturer of Relevant Products which can independently meet the full verification and reporting conditions of the Charter, whether it is a Company Responsible or not, may apply to be admitted as an Ordinary Member of the Charter subject to the eligibility criteria;

In the case where a Company Responsible is not the direct manufacturer but has sourced a Relevant Product from an independent supplier or sub-contractor inside or outside the Charter region, the Company Responsible may use the Charter Logo on or in relation to the Relevant Product in question through the special category of Associate Membership of the Charter ("Associate Membership");

Associate Membership provides the framework for non-manufacturing Companies Responsible to work in partnership with their suppliers or sub-contractors to meet the verification requirements of Charter Sustainability Procedures and the reporting requirements of the Key Performance Indicators;

The Company named above has applied to the A.I.S.E. to become an Associate Member of the Charter and has agreed to make the commitments set out below;

This Agreement confers upon the Company the rights of Associate Membership;

Now the Company **HEREBY AGREES** as follows:

1. The terms, conditions and rules of the Charter shall be an integral part of this Agreement and shall be incorporated in this Agreement by this reference;
2. It accepts the commitment to continual improvement in sustainability as contained in the aims of the Charter, and will encourage and assist implementation of improvements;
3. Relevant Products placed on the market under its name as a Company Responsible and bearing the Charter logo shall have been manufactured either
 - i) by a manufacturing company fully admitted as an Ordinary Member of the Charter,or
 - ii) by a manufacturing supplier or sub-contractor acting together with the Company and having been verified jointly with the Company on the same basis as applies to an Ordinary Member.
4. In the case of 3 ii) above the right to use the Charter Logo on pack or in related information applies only to the Company's Relevant Products which have been the subject of verification. This right does not confer on the Company or the supplier or the sub-contractor any general right to use the Charter Logo on other products.
5. It will provide such information as Ordinary Members may reasonably request to meet their KPI reporting obligations under the Charter, and in the case of 3 ii) above accepts responsibility for ensuring the KPI reporting obligations are respected.
6. It will comply with the terms of the Trade Mark Licence granted as part of this Agreement.
7. It will comply promptly with any request from A.I.S.E. to confirm compliance with this Agreement or the Trade Mark Licence.
8. It will notify the A.I.S.E in writing in advance of any temporary non-compliance explaining the reason and the expected date of resumption of compliance.
9. The Charter is the responsibility of the AISE Board and its decisions concerning the Charter shall be final.
10. This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until either terminated
 - i) by the Company at any time giving not less than six months prior written notice to the A.I.S.E. of its intention to resign as an Associate Member of the Charter;or
 - ii) by A.I.S.E. serving not less than 6 months prior written notice upon the Company following the Company's failure to meet material requirements under the Charter and/or this Agreement and/or being in a material breach of the terms of the Trade Mark Licence, provided that A.I.S.E. must serve the Company written notice at the address given above specifying the Company's material failure or material breach. If such failure and/or breach is remedied by the Company within sixty (60) business days from receipt of such notice the termination by A.I.S.E. for the respective failure or breach shall be null and void.

In case the Company is dissatisfied with any decision of A.I.S.E. in relation to the Charter which may prejudice its interests may refer the matter to the A.I.S.E. Board who will render a decision, after considering the Company's representations.

This Confirmation and the rights, duties and responsibilities of the Company and A.I.S.E. under the Charter shall continue in full force and effect during any notice period.

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(Signature)

Please add your contact details:

Company name:

Title:

First name:

Name:

Position:

Address:

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Telephone:

Fax:

Email:

List of countries for which the company commits to the A.I.S.E. Charter for Sustainable Cleaning (please tick as appropriate)

EU 27 :

- All
- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands (The)
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- United Kingdom

Others:

- Iceland
- Norway
- Switzerland