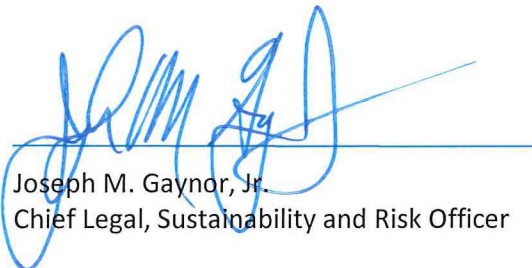


PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP POLICY

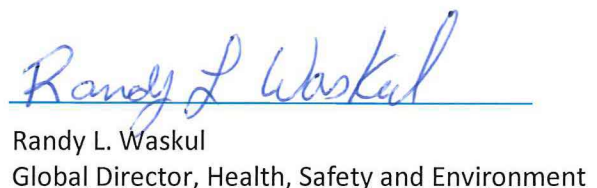
As one of the world's leading carbon black manufacturing companies, Columbian Chemicals Company and its affiliate companies ("Birla Carbon") create products that contribute to an enhanced standard of living for people throughout the world. Our presence in the carbon black industry goes back almost 170 years and sustainability is the key to securing a future, not only for our business, but for the planet.

At Columbian Chemicals, we are committed to providing high quality, thoroughly tested carbon black to meet the safety, health, and environmental regulatory requirements of our customers. We take seriously our responsibility to maintain information on all of our products that is current, compliant, and readily available to our customers and other interested stakeholders to ensure that our products can be transported, stored, used and disposed of in a safe and environmentally responsible manner. Our approach to being responsible product stewards rests on the following principles:

- Complying fully with all applicable laws and regulations apply to our manufacturing processes and products.
- Maintaining a robust product testing program following testing methodologies developed by internationally recognized governing bodies to assure confidence in the information provided in our product information and certifications/declarations.
- Monitoring the development of emerging laws, regulations, and standards that impact our products and our customers' products in order to guide customers on the appropriate use of our carbon black.
- Responding promptly to requests from customers and other stakeholders about the health, safety and environmental aspects of our products; informing our customers whenever testing indicates any non-conformance that may impact their specifications.
- Providing information to customers, distributors, suppliers, contractors, employees, and other stakeholders about the environmental, health, and safety aspects of our products to foster the safe use, storage, handling, transport and disposal of our products.
- Monitoring and continuously improving the environmental, health, and safety performance of our products in accordance with all relevant regulatory and statutory requirements.
- Considering the product stewardship impacts in the innovation, design, development, and improvement of products, their manufacture, and end uses.



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