

2011 Corporate Social Responsibility Report

Environmental Footprint Product Stewardship Customer Partnerships Ethical Sourcing Employment Practices
Impact on Communities

NT Not Tracked
NA Not Available
No Relevant GRI Indicator

| GRI INDICATOR | FOCUS AREA | KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR DETAIL | U/M | 2008 DATA | 2009 DATA | 2010 DATA | DETAILS/ EXPLANATIONS |
|------------------|-----------------------|---|-----|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| EN1 | Corrugate | Corrugate purchased for customer orders for the year | lbs | 2,065,622 | 1,734,867 | 1,974,820 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN2 | Corrugate | Content of corrugate boxes derived from post-consumer waste | % | 85 | 85 | 85 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN1 | Shrink Wrap | Shrink wrap purchased for customer orders for the year | lbs | NT | 27,665 | 28,045 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN1 | Air Pillows | Air pillows purchased for the year | lbs | NT | 17,888 | 16,224 | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| EN1 | Shipping Envelopes | Courier envelopes purchased for the year | lbs | NT | 11,217 | 13,198 | SHOW DETAILS 🕣 |
| EN1 | Skids | Wooden skids purchased for customer orders for the year | lbs | NT | NT | 3,221 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| = | Land | Offices with LEED certification | % | 0 | 0 | 0 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN11 | Land | Retail locations nationwide | # | 45 | 36 | 34 | SHOW DETAILS 📵 |









| EN11 | Land | Sales offices and Customer Fulfillment Centres (CFCs) nationwide | # | 27 | 27 | 27 | SHOW DETAILS |
|--------|-----------------------|--|---------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| EN11 | Land | Area (all facilities) | sq. ft. | 1,158,365 | 1,129,984 | 1,093,347 | SHOW DETAILS 🚭 |
| EN1 | Paper (Internal) | Reams of paper consumed at all CFCs and offices | reams | 8,634 | 7,402 | 6,971 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN4/5 | Electricity | Electricity consumption (all facilities) | kWh | 13,201,120 | 11,712,071 | 10,875,588 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3 | Natural Gas | Gas consumption (all facilities) | m³ | 1,257,956 | 1,166,784 | 1,062,077 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3/29 | Air Travel | One-way business flights | # | NT | 1,621 | 1,419 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3/29 | Air Travel | Total mileage travelled on business flights | km | NT | 1,669,630 | 1,461,694 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3/29 | Owned Distribution | Total vehicles (national) | # | 134 | 127 | 116 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3/29 | Owned Distribution | Vehicles (diesel) | # | 59 | 52 | 52 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3/29 | Owned Distribution | Vehicles (gas) | # | 75 | 75 | 64 | SHOW DETAILS ① |







| EN3/29 | Owned Distribution | Fuel consumption (diesel) | L | 394,964 | 387,507 | 361,224 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
|--------|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------------|
| EN3/29 | Owned Distribution | Fuel consumption (gas) | L | 384,678 | 380,366 | 348,960 | SHOW DETAILS |
| EN3/29 | Dedicated Distribution | Total vehicles (national) | # | 94 | 81 | 82 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3/29 | Dedicated Distribution | Vehicles (diesel) | # | 29 | 24 | 24 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3/29 | Dedicated Distribution | Vehicles (gas) | # | 65 | 57 | 58 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3/29 | Dedicated Distribution | Fuel consumption (diesel) | L | 156,554 | 153,630 | 119,304 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN3/29 | Dedicated Distribution | Fuel consumption (gas) | L | 310,971 | 285,294 | 288,816 | SHOW DETAILS |
| EN16 | Emissions | Scope 1 (distribution only) | tonnes CO ₂ e | 3,056.26 | 2,960.34 | 2,734.79 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN16 | Emissions | Scope 1 (natural gas) | tonnes CO ₂ e | 2,371.20 | 2,199.34 | 2,001.97 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN16 | Emissions | Scope 1 (distribution and natural gas) | tonnes CO ₂ e | 5,427.46 | 5,159.68 | 4,736.76 | SHOW DETAILS ① |









| EN16 | Emissions | Scope 2 (purchased electricity) | tonnes CO₂e | 2,431.37 | 2,157.12 | 2,003.06 | SHOW DETAILS 🚭 |
|---------|----------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| EN16 | Emissions | Combined Scope 1 and 2 emissions | tonnes CO ₂ e | 7,858.82 | 7,316.80 | 6,739.81 | SHOW DETAILS |
| EN16 | Emissions | Scope 3 (flights only) | tonnes CO ₂ e | NT | 222.17 | 149.29 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN13/30 | Carbon Offsets | Carbon offsets purchased | tonnes CO ₂ e | 0 | 1,899.75 | 1,140.00 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN27 | Recycling | Ink and toner cartridges recycled (all customers) | # | 276,393 | 433,242 | 413,547 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN27 | Recycling | Ink and toner cartridges recycled (all customers) | lbs | 977,434 | 1,429,356 | 1,256,005 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN22 | Recycling | Waste to landfill | lbs | 984,996 | 922,572 | 860,183 | SHOW DETAILS |
| EN22 | Recycling | Corrugate recycled | lbs | 1,321,942 | 1,909,574 | 1,656,570 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| EN22 | Recycling | Shrink wrap recycled | lbs | 12,194 | 86,701 | 27,142 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| EN22 | Recycling | Scrapwood recycled | lbs | 16,868 | 23,373 | 131,037 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |









| EN22 | Recycling | Mixed recycled | lbs | 145,768 | 242,815 | 489,751 | SHOW DETAILS 🕃 |
|------|---|---|-----|---------|---------|---------|----------------|
| EN10 | Recycling | Water recycled | L | NT | NT | NT | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| EN22 | Recycling | Organic waste collected | lbs | 0 | 0 | NT | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN22 | Recycling | e-waste recycled | lbs | NT | NT | 2,084 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN27 | Recycling | Furniture recycled | lbs | 0 | 0 | 600 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN22 | Recycling | Waste diversion rate (national) | % | 60.31 | 71.03 | 72.82 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| | | Product Stewardship | | | | | |
| PR1 | Environmentally Preferable Products | Products in ordering guide identified as environmentally preferable | # | 1,503 | 1,554 | 1,833 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| - | Environmentally Preferable Products | Total products in ordering guide | # | 6,721 | 6,791 | 6,973 | |
| PR1 | Environmentally Preferable Products | Products in ordering guide identified as environmentally preferable versus total products in ordering guide | % | 22.36 | 22.88 | 26 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| - | Sales of Environmentally Preferable Products | Sales of environmentally preferable products versus total sales | % | NT | 19 | 20 | SHOW DETAILS • |









| EN2 | Paper | Copy paper sales that bear internationally recognized forest and manufacturing environmental certifications versus total copy paper sales | % | 98 | 99 | 99 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
|---------|-----------------------|---|-----|---------|---------|---------|----------------|
| - | Paper | Copy paper sales that contained 30% or more post-consumer waste | % | 15 | 21 | 23 | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| | | Customer Partnerships | | | | | |
| EN14 | Paper | Marketing papers sourced from a certified responsibly managed forest | % | NT | 100 | 100 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN14 | Ordering Guide | Ordering guides printed | # | 300,000 | 250,000 | 200,000 | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| EN14 | Ordering Guide | Page reductions over previous year | # | 24 | 0 | 0 | |
| EN14 | Ordering Guide | Total paper savings from ordering guide changes | lbs | 830,000 | 667,976 | 550,023 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| EN18/26 | 48-Hour Delivery | Customers who chose 48-hour delivery | % | - | 50.61 | 76.50 | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| EN18/26 | 48-Hour Delivery | Orders delivered with 48-hour option | % | - | 36.21 | 61.54 | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| EN18/26 | Right Day Delivery | Customer Accounts who chose Right Day delivery | # | NT | NT | 5,875 | SHOW DETAILS 🕒 |
| EN26 | e-invoicing | Total new and existing accounts that selected e-invoicing as default | % | 5 | 6 | 13 | SHOW DETAILS 😯 |









| EN26 | e-invoicing | Total internal paper page savings as a result of e-invoicing | # | 147,494 | 157,927 | 243,445 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
|------|--------------------|--|---|---------|---------|---------|----------------|
| S01 | Lunch and Learn | Lunch and Learns conducted | # | 35 | 42 | 33 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| S01 | Lunch and Learn | Total customer attendees | # | NT | 345 | 500 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| SO1 | Lunch and Learn | Post-event customer satisfaction rate (survey) | % | NT | NT | 99.3 | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| SO1 | Small Events | Events conducted (national) | # | NT | 23 | 10 | SHOW DETAILS 🕃 |
| SO1 | Small Events | Total customers reached (all events) | # | NT | 460 | 120 | |
| S01 | Large Events | Events conducted (national) or sponsorships | # | NT | 1 | 1 | SHOW DETAILS 🕃 |
| SO1 | Large Events | Total customers reached (all events) | # | NT | 200 | 40 | SHOW DETAILS 🕃 |
| - | Large Events | Other business sponsorships and memberships | _ | _ | _ | - | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| PR6 | Marketing Code | Voluntary marketing codes adopted or adhered to | # | 1 | 1 | 1 | SHOW DETAILS 🕃 |







| PR5 | Customer Satisfaction | Customer Satisfaction survey (CSAT) statistics | _ | No CSAT | No CSAT | No CSAT | SHOW DETAILS ① |
|------|--------------------------|---|---|---------|---------|---------|----------------|
| EN27 | THINK Program | Ink and toner cartridges recycled (national) | # | 276,393 | 433,242 | 413,547 | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| - | Case Studies | Customer case studies published | # | 0 | 2 | 4 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| | | Ethical Sourcing | | | | | |
| EN1 | Paper | Paper consumed for internal purposes that bears third-party environmental certification | % | 100 | 100 | 100 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN1 | Paper | Paper consumed for internal purposes made from post-consumer waste | % | 30 | 30 | 30 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EN1 | Office Supplies | Office supply orders | # | 4,714 | 3,331 | 3,276 | SHOW DETAILS 🕃 |
| EN14 | Office Supplies | Internal spend on environmentally preferable products / total spend | % | NT | 19.9 | 22.5 | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| EN14 | Office Supplies | Environmentally preferable products that make up core ordering list | % | NT | 28.5 | 39.5 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| EN1 | Ink and Toner | Ink and toner cartridges purchased for internal purposes | # | 1,785 | 1,952 | 1,268 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| HR2 | Partner Code of Conduct | Total North American vendors | # | NT | 98 | 91 | |









| HR2 | Partner Code of Conduct | North American vendors who signed Partner Code of Conduct | # | NT | NT | 71 | SHOW DETAILS (|
|--------|-------------------------|---|------|---|-----------|-----------|-----------------|
| HR2 | Partner Code of Conduct | North American vendors who signed Partner Code of Conduct / total | % | NT | NT | 78.02 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| HR1 | SA8000 Audit | Average score for all audits | % | 86.30 | 79.63 | 83.97 | |
| HR1 | SA8000 Audit | Median score for all audits | % | 91.43 | 91.22 | 83.69 | |
| HR1 | SA8000 Audit | Significant investment agreements that include human rights clauses or have been screened | % | 100 | 100 | 100 | |
| | | Employment Practices | | | | | |
| LA1/13 | Workforce | Total Associates (excluding contractors) | # | 2,011 | 1,721 | 1,691 | SHOW DETAILS () |
| LA1/13 | Workforce | Total sales Associates | # | 358 | 307 | 293 | SHOW DETAILS () |
| LA2 | Turnover | Rate of employee turnover (national) | % | 29 | 23 | 19 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| LA2 | Hires/Fires | New hires | # | 682 | 332 | 325 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EC3 | Hires/Fires | Benefits provided to full-time employees that are not provided to part-time employees | list | Pension Plan, Group Benefit Plan, Exceptions and Employment Assistance Plan | No Change | No Change | |









| - | Retention | Associates with five or more years of tenure versus total Associates | % | 50.80 | 54.60 | 56.70 | |
|-----|--------------------------|---|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|
| - | Retention | Associates with 10 or more years tenure versus total Associates | % | 34.30 | 40.60 | 42.50 | |
| LA4 | Collective Bargaining | Employees covered under Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) | % | 21.50 | 21.00 | 19.20 | |
| LA5 | Notice | Minimum notice period(s) (weeks) regarding operational changes, including whether specified in Collective Bargaining Agreements | # | No Change | No Change | No Change | |
| LA6 | Health and Safety | Total workforce represented in formal joint management-worker health and safety committees | % | 6.40 | 6.60 | 5.63 | SHOW DETAILS () |
| LA7 | Health and Safety | Employee medical aid incidents | # | 30 | 40 | 56 | |
| LA7 | Health and Safety | Restricted work incidents | # | 55 | 51 | 55 | |
| LA7 | Health and Safety | Associate recordable injuries | # | 60 | 69 | 79 | |
| LA7 | Health and Safety | Associate lost-time incidents | # | 30 | 29 | 23 | |
| LA9 | Health and Safety | Health and safety topics covered in formal agreements with trade unions | list | No Change | No Change | No Change | SHOW DETAILS ① |







| LA8/10 | Training and Education | Total hours of training for all Associates | # | 2,124 | 1,056 | 5,066 | SHOW DETAILS 🕒 |
|--------|------------------------|--|------|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| LA8/10 | Training and Education | Average hours of sales training per sales Associate | # | 5.93 | 3.44 | 9.53 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| LA8/10 | Training and Education | Associates who participated in G&T Continuing Education program | # | 18 | 18 | 18 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| LA11 | Training and Education | Programs for skills management and life-long learning that support continued employability | list | Tuition Reimbursement Program | No Change | No Change | SHOW DETAILS |
| LA11 | Training and Education | Associates who applied for and were granted tuition reimbursement | # | 18 | 18 | 18 | SHOW DETAILS |
| LA12 | Training and Education | Associates who received performance and career development reviews | % | 70 | 72 | 83 | |
| HR3 | Training and Education | Hours of employee training on policies and procedures related to aspects of human rights that are relevant to operations | # | 600 | 0 | 255 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| SO2 | Risk Audits | Retail locations audited for business risk | % | 33 | 31 | 67 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| SO2 | Risk Audits | CFC locations audited for business risk | % | 57 | 43 | 57 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| SO3 | Tipline | Associate-identified incidents | # | 8 | 4 | 6 | SHOW DETAILS ① |









| SO4 | Tipline | Incidents of corruption | # | 14 | 10 | 3 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
|-----|------------------------------|---|----|---------|---------|---------|------------------|
| SO6 | Regulatory Affairs | Total in-kind financial contributions to political parties | \$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | SHOW DETAILS 🔁 |
| S07 | Regulatory Affairs | Total legal actions taken for anti-competitive behaviour, anti-trust and monopoly practices | # | 0 | 0 | 0 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| SO8 | Regulatory Affairs | Sanctions for non-compliance with laws and regulations | # | 0 | 0 | 0 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| | | Impact on Communities | | | | | |
| S01 | Charitable Donations | Charitable organizations supported through donations of service, product or money | # | 51 | 152 | 44 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| - | Charitable Donations | Monetary value of emergency or relief funds donated for special causes | \$ | NT | NT | 18,600 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EC8 | Charitable Donations | Monetary value of ad hoc donations given in support of charitable organizations | \$ | 239,757 | 217,382 | 237,120 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| EC8 | Bryan Bridges Scholarship | Recipients who received the Bryan Bridges Scholarship | # | 5 | 5 | 3 | SHOW DETAILS 🐧 |
| EC8 | Bryan Bridges Scholarship | Bryan Bridges Scholarship recipients who were renewals from previous year | % | 2 | 2 | 3 | SHOW DETAILS (|
| EC8 | Bryan Bridges Scholarship | Associates or Associate families who applied for the Bryan Bridges Scholarship | # | NT | NT | 5 | SHOW DETAILS (3) |









| EC8 | KidsFest Backpack Program | Backpacks packed by G&T Associates for the KidsFest backpack program | # | 2,400 | 3,500 | 5,920 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
|-----|---------------------------------|--|----|---------|---------|---------|----------------|
| EC8 | KidsFest Backpack Program | Backpacks sponsored by G&T and suppliers for the KidsFest backpack program | # | 4,650 | 5,000 | 7,020 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| - | KidsFest Backpack Program | Funds raised in store through customer collection | \$ | 27,770 | 34,880 | 26,476 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EC8 | KidsFest Backpack Program | Estimated value of Associate time donated for backpack program | \$ | 30,937 | 33,473 | 35,313 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| - | KidsFest Backpack Program | Estimated value of backpacks donated | \$ | 581,250 | 625,000 | 877,500 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| - | Corporate Awards | External awards received | # | 1 | 3 | 3 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EC8 | A Day Made Better | Applications received for A Day Made Better | # | - | 7 | 42 | SHOW DETAILS ① |
| EC8 | A Day Made Better | Teachers surprised through A Day Made Better | # | - | 3 | 12 | SHOW DETAILS ① |



