

## Sustainability Statement

With today's environmental concerns becoming an increasingly important topic throughout the ink manufacturing industry, companies are searching for ways to make their products safer for the environment and the consumer. Our primary focus is to develop state of the art "green" UV ink products for sustainability that are environmentally and consumer friendly.

Solvent free ultraviolet energy curing printing is a low emission technology that has a proven record of success and has continued to grow substantially in the printing industry over the past decade. While the environmental benefits of this printing technology are well known, it is not as well recognized that the environmental benefits prove very favorable.

All eco-friendly printing processes and requirements will realize that the use of Zeller+Gmelin's UV printing inks will provide true "pollution prevention" technology. There are no emissions to control, destroy or recycle. In contrast, solvent and conventional oxidizing inks, which contain solvents, require additional operating costs and generate incremental greenhouse gases.

Our UV printing inks, which are manufactured with low to zero emission through ultraviolet energy curing, have been in commercial use for decades. In addition to performance advantages, the "green" benefits of these technologies have driven their acceptance and rate of growth substantially faster than conventional and even water-borne inks, coatings and adhesives. Our raw material product selection incorporates materials that generate less than one percent Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) upon curing. We have also incorporated a renewable soy component into our formulations successfully and our Technical Group will continue to investigate additional renewable components.

As our focus is exclusively on radiation curable printing inks, our resources have been and will continue to be dedicated to this market. Our manufacturing equipment and processes are designed and built with this in mind and our Research and Development efforts are dedicated solely to UV technology. We partner with companies and organizations involved in this industry to advance technology and growth potential.

Preserving and protecting the environment encompasses "green initiatives" that we contribute to in other areas of our organization.

- We actively address safety requirements by providing occupational health and safety training programs for all employees.
- We provide our customers with ink management support, safety, health and ink handling procedures.
- We engage in company wide ink recycling initiatives.
- We are currently researching initiatives to incorporate environmentally friendly measures internally to impact our company's processes and procedures.
- To list a few initiatives:
  - All floor cleaning products are water soluble
  - Implementation of solar panels that provide heat and hot water
  - Recycling of technology hardware and peripherals
- We are packing our new "green" ink line in 35% recycled green containers.