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CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY REPORT PUBLISHED

SIG REPORTS KEY MILESTONES ON ITS JOURNEY WAY BEYOND GOOD

Published today, SIG's <u>Corporate Responsibility Report</u> for 2018 highlights the progress the company has made towards its bold ambition to go Way Beyond Good – and explores what this means for the environment, society and SIG.

Milestones on the journey

SIG set out to become a net positive company three years ago. Since then, the company has achieved a host of industry firsts:

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- First to enable customers to include the FSC[™] label on any of its packs by the end of 2018, 96% of SIG packs carried the FSC[™] logo
- First to offer an aseptic carton linked to 100% renewable plant-based materials –
 SIGNATURE PACK 100 has a 58% lower carbon footprint than SIG's standard packs in the world's first ISO-conformant life-cycle assessment for a mass balance product
- First to source all the energy used to make its packs from renewable sources 100% of electricity and gas for production came from renewable sources in 2018, either directly or indirectly through GoldPower[®] certified renewable energy projects
- First to achieve certification to the new Aluminium Stewardship Initiative standard in 2018, SIG became one of the first companies in the world to achieve this certification to enhance traceability and responsibility in the aluminium supply chain
- First to offer a market-ready alternative to plastic straws for use with aseptic carton packs SIG's paper straw solution was launched in early 2019 and Nestlé has already tested the market launch in the Dominican Republic.

In addition, SIG recently celebrated the launch of its Cartons for Good flagship project in Bangladesh, where its unique mobile filling machine is helping farmers preserve surplus food and providing children with school meals.

Rolf Stangl, SIG CEO said: "I am very proud of the progress we have made since we embarked on our responsibility roadmap in 2016. We are leading the industry by pioneering sustainable innovations that will help to deliver scalable, systemic net positive impacts – for society, the environment and our business."

Transparent reporting

SIG's latest Corporate Responsibility Report combines narrative on the company's progress with detailed reporting on the management of its most material environmental and social issues. It was prepared in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Standards: Core option. GRI requirements are clearly signposted throughout the document, together with relevant United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

Visual cues throughout the document highlight areas where SIG is leading the industry, as well as tracking progress towards its goals and acknowledging key challenges as part of the company's commitment to transparency.

SIG's external Responsibility Advisory Group (RAG) met for the first time in 2018 and direct feedback from members of the RAG is published in the report, together with the company's response. Quotes from other stakeholders add further credibility and selected data



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points have been externally assured.

The report shows how corporate responsibility is built into the company strategy and every aspect of the business as SIG strives to go Way Beyond Good.

About SIG

SIG (FSCTM trademark licence code: FSCTM C020428) is a leading systems and solutions provider for aseptic carton packaging. We work in partnership with our customers to bring food and beverage products to consumers around the world in a safe, sustainable and affordable way. Our unique technology and outstanding innovation capacity enable us to provide our customers with end-to-end solutions for differentiated products, smarter factories and connected packs, all to address the ever-changing needs of consumers.

Founded 1853, SIG is headquartered in Neuhausen, Switzerland. The skills and experience of our approximately 5,000 employees worldwide enable us to respond quickly and effectively to the needs of our customers in over 60 countries. In 2018, SIG produced more than 35 billion carton packs and generated €1.7 billion in revenue. For more information, visit www.sig.biz.

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Download SIG's <u>Corporate Responsibility Report 2018</u> and find out more about SIG's approach at https://www.sig.biz/en/responsibility/way-beyond-good

MORE INFORMATION:

Read our <u>blog</u> on SIG's ambition to go Way Beyond Good and what this means for the environment, society and SIG: www.signals.sig.biz/what-it-means-to-go-way-beyond-good

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SIG CR Report 2018 – cover image:

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SIG infographic - Way Beyond Good journey 2018:

The latest SIG Corporate Responsibility Report including the infographic highlights the progress SIG made towards the bold ambition to go Way Beyond Good – and explores what this means for the environment, society and SIG's business.

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