Colgate Sustainability Report 2011

Giving the World Reasons to Smile
About This Report

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Long before many businesses began talking about sustainability and social responsibility, Colgate recognized that how we do business is just as important as what we do. At Colgate, sustainability is not just a project or initiative — it’s built into business decisions every day.

We recognize that a broad approach to sustainability, encompassing our long commitment to environmental quality, but also extending to the long-term well-being of the people and communities we serve, is the truest expression of our Company values: Caring, Global Teamwork and Continuous Improvement. With Colgate’s core businesses of oral, personal and home care and pet nutrition, this approach is consistent with our business goals for making people’s lives healthier and more enjoyable.

Since our business success depends upon being sharply focused on our key priorities, we determined that we must bring this same sharp focus to sustainability, determining where and how we can make the greatest difference. So in 2010, we developed a plan that will guide our sustainability initiatives for the next five years, with key goals in all three of our sustainability focus areas: People, Performance and Planet. This sharpened focus and these new goals are reflected in this Sustainability Report.

We know that integrating sustainability into our everyday operations will help us make better business decisions and improve people’s lives in the over 200 countries and territories where we do business. We believe that our sustainability strategy will continue to increase consumer loyalty, provide a competitive advantage and help ensure long-term shareholder value.

We hope you will be pleased to see the progress we are making.

Thank you,

Ian Cook

Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer
Founded in 1806, Colgate-Palmolive is a $15.6 billion consumer products company that serves people around the world with well-known brands that make their lives healthier and more enjoyable. Truly global in scope, Colgate sells its products in over 200 countries and territories.

**Colgate Brands**

Colgate provides oral care, personal care, home care and pet nutrition products under trusted brands such as: Colgate, Palmolive, Mennen, Softsoap® brand, Irish Spring, Protex, Sorriso, Kolynos, Elmex, Tom’s of Maine, Ajax, Axion, Soupline, Suavitel, Hill’s Science Diet and Hill’s Prescription Diet.

**Operations**

Colgate operates in over 75 countries and sells products in over 200 countries and territories. Approximately 75 percent of sales come from operations outside of the United States.

39,000 Colgate employees drive the Company’s success.

Headquartered in New York City, Colgate operates through five divisions around the world:

- **North America**
- **Latin America**
- **Europe/South Pacific**
- **Greater Asia/Africa**
- **Hill’s Pet Nutrition**

The Company has over 60 manufacturing and research facilities globally. The vast majority of Colgate products are manufactured in Colgate-owned facilities.
### Business Strength

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### Colgate Values

Colgate’s success is linked to the Company’s values of Caring, Global Teamwork and Continuous Improvement.

**Caring**
The Company cares about people: Colgate people, customers, shareholders and business partners. Colgate is committed to act with compassion, integrity, honesty and high ethics in all situations, to listen with respect to others and to value differences. The Company is also committed to protect the global environment, to enhance the communities where Colgate people live and work, and to be compliant with government laws and regulations.

**Global Teamwork**
All Colgate people are part of a global team, committed to working together across countries and throughout the world. Only by sharing ideas, technologies and talents can the Company achieve and sustain profitable growth.

**Continuous Improvement**
Colgate is committed to getting better every day in all it does, as individuals and as teams. By better understanding consumers’ and customers’ expectations and continuously working to innovate and improve products, services and processes, Colgate will become the best.
Colgate’s 2011 to 2015 strategy maintains its emphasis on People, Performance and Planet, with focused, measurable goals that align with the Company’s business objectives.

We Will
- Commit over $300 million to increase our impact in the community
- Partner with dental professionals to improve community oral health care
- Expand “Bright Smiles, Bright Futures” program externally to reach one billion children by 2020
- Provide handwashing awareness to over 50 million households
- Work with 250,000 veterinarians worldwide to educate pet owners and provide over $100 million in pet food to shelters
- Continue to provide Colgate products after natural disasters
- Involve more Colgate volunteers in our community programs

We Will
- Increase the sustainability profile\(^1\) in all new products we produce and in the balance of our portfolio
- Ensure that ingredients continue to meet or exceed all recognized standards for safety, quality, and environmental compliance and biodegradability
- Reduce the environmental impact of our products and packages by 20%, by increasing the use of sustainable materials and recycled content

We Will
- Reduce the water consumed\(^2\) in the manufacture of our products by 40% vs. 2005 consumption
- Reduce the use of water associated with our products by 15%
- Work with local and global organizations to help promote access to clean water
- Promote water conservation awareness among over two billion consumers

We Will
- Reduce energy consumption\(^3\) and carbon emissions\(^2\) associated with the manufacture and distribution\(^4\) of our products by 20%
- Reduce waste\(^2\) sent to landfills from our operations by 15%
- Request that all key suppliers measure and disclose climate change information

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\(^1\) A 10% or better improvement in at least one of the following: Ingredient Profile, Responsible Sourcing, Packaging, Waste, Water, Energy and Greenhouse Gases

\(^2\) Per unit of production

\(^3\) Vs. 2005

\(^4\) Vs. 2008 for Europe and Hill’s delivery; 2010 for U.S., Hill’s replenishment; 2011 for Greater Asia; 2013 for South Pacific and Africa
Set strategic sustainability focus and goals for 2011 to 2015

Launched Natura Verde product line and EPA-approved Palmolive Antibacterial dish liquid

Reached over half a billion children in 80 countries since the “Bright Smiles, Bright Futures” program began in 1991

Achieved over 50% of global sales in emerging markets in 2010

Reduced per-ton manufacturing-related greenhouse gas emissions by 21%, water use by 44%, and wastewater loading by 31% from 2002 to 2010

Achieved a 95% improvement in total recordable accident rate from 1990 to 2010

Celebrated Earth Day in countries around the world

Named a U.S. EPA Energy Star Partner of the Year

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Expanded Colgate’s Code of Conduct certification and training program to reach 100% of employees in 2011

Carbon Disclosure Project

Named to Carbon Disclosure Project Leadership Index in 2010

Encouraged 60 suppliers to set energy reduction targets and disclose greenhouse gas emissions through the Carbon Disclosure Project Supply Chain Project

Committed to purchase only certified sustainable palm oil by the end of 2015
Colgate continues to be recognized for efforts in Sustainability and Social Responsibility:

- **2010/2011 Dow Jones Sustainability World Index and North America Index**
- **SAM Gold Class 2011 Sustainability Yearbook**
- **2010 CDP Global 500 and S&P 500 Leadership Index**

### People
- **Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes**
- No. 10 in 2011 Top 25 Companies for Work-Life Balance
- **Asia Society**
- C-P named Best Company in Promoting Asia-Pacific Americans to Develop Workforce Skills by the Asia Society
- **Working Mother 100 Best Companies**
- 2010 Working Mother 100 Best Companies
- **2011 World’s Most Ethical Companies from Ethisphere Magazine**
- **C-P named Best Company in Promoting Asia-Pacific Americans to Develop Workforce Skills by the Asia Society**
- **National Association for Female Executives Top 50 Companies for Executive Women 2010**
- **DiversityInc Top 50 Companies for Diversity 2011**
- No. 10 in DiversityInc Top 50 Companies for Diversity 2011
- **People & Performance**
- **Performance**
- No. 4 in Fortune World’s Most Admired Companies 2011, Soaps and Cosmetics
- Colgate No. 55 overall, No. 3 Personal Care
- **BusinessWeek**
- No. 5 in Business Week Top 50 Performing Companies 2009
- **FTSE4Good**
- 9.5 or higher out of 10 from ratings agency Governance Metrics International every year
- **Speed Stick and Lady Speed Stick Stainguard Antiperspirant Deodorant**
- voted 2011 Personal Care Product of the Year USA

### Planet
- **The Flexible Packaging Association awarded Colgate-Palmolive's Soft-soap® brand hand soap refill a Silver Award for its environmental benefits**
- **Mexico plant received recognition from PROFEPA, the country’s federal environmental agency**
- **Newsweek Green Rankings**
- No. 38 in the U.S. 500 Newsweek Green Rankings
- **ENERGY STAR 2011 Partner of the Year**
- C-P nominated C-P Mexico as the 2011 Sustainable Supplier and named C-P Brazil as the best logistics provider. Walmart Mexico & Central America named C-P as a 2010 Supplier of Excellence
- **Tom’s of Maine ranked No. 3 by consumers in 2010 ImagePower Green Brands Survey**
Colgate is about people. The Company is committed to engaging employees, to understanding and meeting or exceeding consumers’ and customer expectations and to enhancing the communities the Company serves.
Supporting Colgate Employees

Year after year Colgate is asked what makes the Company successful. The answer is almost always “Our People.” The dedication, ingenuity and hard work of 39,000 employees drive Colgate’s success, and the Company is committed to helping them not just to work, but to thrive.

Programs to foster diversity and inclusion, training, career development and work-life balance help Colgate people stay healthy, appreciated and recognized for their efforts. And, in an economy where workers change jobs more frequently than in the past, Colgate employees remain with the Company an average of thirteen years.

Developing Colgate Talent

- Colgate offers more than 150 training courses in 25 languages. Courses—both online and in the classroom—are aligned to the Company’s strategic priorities and cover all key competencies. Employees are required to complete training on business ethics, inclusiveness, and respect. On average, Colgate employees complete 40 hours of online or classroom training each year.

- Select employees participate in the Colgate Leadership Forum, where 300 leaders explore leadership challenges and develop solutions; the Global 2030, an executive education course in collaboration with the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College; and the Colgate Leadership Challenge, a program conducted by Colgate senior executives for early-in-career, high-potential employees.
Rewarding Good Ideas
At Colgate, people work together to move the Company forward, and good ideas are rewarded. Colgate’s Global Innovation Fund has helped hundreds of Colgate people and teams explore ideas with seed money for development and evaluation. The Chairman’s “You Can Make a Difference Award” recognizes employees or teams who exhibit innovation, ingenuity and performance excellence. Many of the recognized process improvements, product innovations and problem solutions have become global best practices.

Diversity and Inclusion
Colgate’s commitment to diversity and inclusion revolves around employee network groups, community support, support for local educational institutions and recruitment.

Colgate supports network and affinity groups representing many different perspectives and ways of life. Each group contributes to Colgate’s inclusive work environment by developing and implementing activities and programs to promote community involvement and cultural awareness, from events to celebrate Black History Month and Hispanic Heritage Month, to high school mentoring, networking and “women supporting women” programs.

Select Colgate Network Groups
- Asian Action Network
- Black Action Committee
- Colgate Women’s Network
- Colgate Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender (GLBT) Network
- Hill’s 4 Generation Network
- Hill’s Diversity Council
- Hill’s Women Empowerment Network
- Hispanic Action Network
- New Employee Organization
- Colgate Parents’ Network

Colgate Women’s Network
Colgate Women’s Network (CWN) events include mentoring circles where junior employees can learn from Colgate leaders. CWN operates in 36 countries.
Health, Wellness and Safety

- Colgate’s global wellness initiative, Live Better, helps Colgate people around the world share the same holistic approach to wellness: physical, emotional and financial. Health-related Live Better activities include a Global Month of Healthy Activity, global health and wellness education, tools and knowledge sharing, and employee health risk assessments.

- In 2010, Colgate piloted health and wellness programs in Argentina and Thailand to study location-appropriate benefits and incentives. A global health incentive program based on this analysis will be rolled out in 2012.

- Colgate’s work-life balance programs include stress management and nutrition education, flexible work arrangements, back-up child care centers, dependent care, adoption benefits, and wellness guides. Confidential counseling and other assistance for employees dealing with stressful life issues are also offered. In 2011, Colgate launched a pilot program promoting flexible work schedules in the U.S. Flexible work arrangements can help improve productivity and can lead to fewer greenhouse gas emissions associated with employee commutes.

- Colgate recognizes the continuing seriousness of the global HIV/AIDS epidemic and its impact on the workplace and society. In 2008, a global HIV/AIDS strategy and policy were developed and implemented. They focus on non-discrimination and confidentiality, prevention education, access to treatment, partnerships with third parties and proactive organizational support. For example, in India, Colgate supports a “Positive Step” program for children living with HIV/AIDS. Children who have gone through the program are healthier, more confident and are doing better in school.

- Colgate’s Pandemic Preparedness team, first formed in 2005, communicated regularly with world health care groups, including the World Health Organization, to develop a plan in preparation for a global influenza outbreak.

- A commitment to integrate Environmental, Occupational Health and Safety (EOHS) into the corporate culture starts with senior management and continues at every level. Each Colgate facility is responsible for implementing global safety and health standards and undergoes comprehensive EOHS reviews and audits against these standards.
Delighting Consumers

Thanks to the commitment and enthusiasm of Colgate employees around the world, the Company is able to successfully deliver a wide range of products to consumers in over 200 countries and territories. Every day, people around the world use Colgate products to care for themselves, their families and their pets. From Colgate toothpastes that help prevent cavities, to Protex hand soap that stops the spread of germs to Hill’s pet nutrition products that keep pets healthy, Colgate products help consumers (and their pets!) lead healthier, more enjoyable lives.

Colgate has a dynamic relationship with consumers—listening and learning about consumer needs, responding to research and feedback and providing the best products possible to enhance consumer lives. Colgate’s nine consumer innovation centers, situated close to consumers in different parts of the world, are focused on developing insight-driven innovation.

Meeting Consumer Needs

In India, Colgate researchers immersed themselves in the lives of villagers for two days, observing and discussing their oral care habits, how they clean their homes and other daily routines. A key learning was that mothers hope for a better life for their children through education. Based on this insight, Colgate implemented a special program that helped build awareness of good oral care habits and offered scholarships to children.
Partnering with Customers

Colgate partners with hundreds of thousands of retail stores, large and small, to sell products around the world. Treating all retail customers with fairness and integrity is a priority at Colgate, and working closely with the Company’s customers to share expertise and grow category sales has long been a cornerstone of Colgate’s business strategy. In order to continue to succeed with customers, the Company has an activity-based training course on supply chain collaboration in which customer development, customer service and supply chain personnel focus on how to address commercial challenges and deliver best-in-class service to Colgate’s retail partners.

Colgate’s Customer Development Organization’s goal is to be viewed by customers as the No.1 supplier compared to competitors, and the Company continues to improve in a survey conducted every three years to measure retailer satisfaction.

- In the United States, Colgate collaborated with supermarket chain Kroger to reorganize the oral care aisle. Based on a variety of shopper insights and customer data, Colgate’s cross-functional commercial team worked closely with the retailer to implement a more shopper-friendly aisle. The new design attracted more shoppers and increased category sales.
- Identifying the right assortment of products is especially important in small stores, where space is limited. Colgate works closely with small shop owners to help them select the best combination of products for their store.

Oral Health Month with Retail Customers

C-P Europe educated shoppers about oral hygiene with in-store displays during Oral Health Month.
Promoting Well-Being in Communities

Colgate employees, as well as some customers and community organizations, are working together for the good of the communities the Company serves. Colgate uses its expertise in oral health, personal hygiene and pet nutrition to promote well-being and health in communities, and to support charitable organizations with similar goals. Colgate’s programs respond to some of the most pressing health issues of our time, from lack of access to oral care to the spread of preventable disease. The programs are a natural extension of the Company’s business in oral care, personal care, home care and pet nutrition, and are a reflection of its values of Caring, Global Teamwork and Continuous Improvement.

The solution lies in the principle of shared value, which involves creating economic value in a way that also creates value for society by addressing its needs and challenges.

Contributing to Communities

Colgate and its employees contribute to organizations through financial support, product donations and volunteer time each year. In 2010, the Company contributed over $18 million in cash to support community programs around the world. The Company also provided over $21 million in in-kind donations.

Giving Back at Tom’s of Maine

Five U.S. Charities won $20,000 in Tom’s of Maine’s “50 States for Good” contest in 2010. Tom’s of Maine also donates 10% of pre-tax profits to charitable organizations supporting the environment, human needs, the arts and education. Find out more about Tom’s of Maine’s giving at TomsofMaine.com.
Promoting Oral Health

Colgate’s most comprehensive oral health initiative, “Bright Smiles, Bright Futures,” promotes oral health education and prevention in communities worldwide. The Company distributes toothpaste, toothbrushes, videos, books, software and interactive activities in over 30 languages for use in the classroom or at home. Volunteer dentists visit local communities to conduct free dental screenings, distribute educational materials and educate children and their families about the importance of maintaining good oral health. “Bright Smiles, Bright Futures” has reached 650 million children in 80 countries since 1991, 50 million in 2010 alone, and seeks to reach a billion children by 2020.

Colgate is a founding and principal sponsor of the Global Child Dental Fund. The group builds on the achievements of the Global Child Dental Health Taskforce, which Colgate established in partnership with the World Health Organization with a goal to eradicate dental cavities in children globally by 2026. Since 2006, the Taskforce has benefited over 20 million children in 13 countries, including one million children in China and 1.3 million in Brazil.

“We believe that cavities in children can and should be eliminated.”

— Global Child Dental Fund
Colgate partners with local groups and dental communities to organize Oral Health Month in nearly every Colgate subsidiary around the world. Colgate sponsors dental checkups, in-school oral hygiene instruction, consumer promotions and television advertising throughout the month. In 2010, thousands of children in Ecuador, Colombia and Guatemala attended Oral Health Month kick-off events with educational plays, speakers and “brush-a-thons.”

For 15 years, Colgate has been a sponsor of Operation Smile, an international children’s medical charity that provides safe, effective reconstructive surgeries to children born with cleft palate abnormalities. In 2010, the Company became Operation Smile’s exclusive oral care partner across Latin America and funds the organization’s volunteer medical mission trips throughout the region.

**Supporting Education**

Colgate also promotes educational opportunities and programs that expand access to recreation, sports and the arts in the communities the Company serves.

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**Colgate Women’s Games**

Since 1973, the U.S. Company has supported the Colgate Women’s Games, where girls and women in elementary school through college compete in track and field events. Colgate awards educational grants totaling $60,000 to the top three point scorers each year.

**Estrellas Colgate**

The Estrellas Colgate (Colgate Stars) program in Mexico, an after-school program for 300 children, builds self-esteem and confidence through sports and education. Children also receive meals and medical and dental check-ups.
Handwashing Education

Proper hand hygiene is one of the most effective ways to prevent disease transmission, especially in children. But globally, handwashing rates are low. As a leading marketer of bar and liquid hand soaps, Colgate is working with public health officials, academia, local schools and clinics to educate millions of children and their families about the benefits of handwashing. Colgate’s “Clean Hands, Good Health” global handwashing program provides educational materials and sample products to schools and communities, and builds awareness through public service advertising and public relations campaigns.

“Turning handwashing with soap...into an ingrained habit could save more lives than any single vaccine or medical intervention.”

— Global Public-Private Partnership for Handwashing with Soap
Contributing in Times of Need
Colgate provides emergency financial aid, donates products and sponsors matching gift programs in times of natural disaster.

- After the 2011 Japan earthquake and tsunami, Colgate donated funds and matched employee contributions to the American Red Cross and Save the Children, totaling $350,000. The Company also donated products such as soap and hand sanitizer worth $250,000, as well as pet food for dogs and cats affected by the disaster.
- In 2010, Colgate and its employees donated over $750,000 in monetary and in-kind donations after the earthquake in Haiti.

Happy, Healthy Pets
Colgate’s commitment to people extends to their animal friends. The Company donates Hill’s Science Diet pet foods to animal shelters across the United States, while raising awareness about animal adoption with programs nationwide. Hill’s also partners with top veterinary schools to better integrate nutrition education into veterinary training.

“There’s nothing better than seeing someone actually walk home with a newly adopted pet. To be able to know that my team has helped make that happen is just amazing.”

— Hill’s Pet Nutrition Employee

Helping Pets Find a Home
Since 2002, Hill’s Pet Nutrition has helped over five million pets be adopted. In 2010, Colgate donated over $10 million in products to not-for-profit shelters through the Hill’s Science Diet Shelter Nutrition Partnership and partnered with a retailer to facilitate the adoption of 50,000 pets.
Colgate People Giving Back

Colgate people are demonstrating that their commitment to “People, Performance and Planet” is deep and enduring, and an authentic expression of who they are.

Colgate encourages employees to volunteer through various programs worldwide. For example, the Caring Hearts program at Hill’s Pet Nutrition in Topeka, Kansas, links employees to more than 200 local agencies and their projects. Employees can earn monetary donations for the not-for-profit agency of their choice, based on the number of hours they serve during the calendar year. Through another Colgate program, employees in some locations may request a $500 grant to charities where an employee volunteers at least 50 hours annually.

Earth Day 2011

Colgate locations around the world demonstrate their commitment to our planet on Earth Day by planting trees, volunteering in the community and pledging to conserve resources. Earth Day events in 2011 ranged from planting trees in India and Cameroon to cleaning up parks in the U.S.
At Colgate, performance includes not only the Company’s sustainable financial strength, but also its commitment to growing the business through the introduction of innovative, sustainable products. In addition, Colgate knows that how it does business is just as important as the products it provides — its long-standing commitment to safety, quality and ethics helps drive Colgate’s sustainable performance.
Financial Strength

As previously reported, 2010 was another year of double-digit earnings-per-share growth despite difficult economic conditions around the world. Colgate’s global market shares in toothpaste and manual toothbrushes both ended the year at record highs.

Sales rose 1.5% in 2010 to an all-time record level of $15.564 billion.

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Product Integrity

Performance at Colgate is grounded in the integrity of the Company’s products—what they contain, how well they work, how they improve the lives of Colgate consumers and how they help grow the business. Research shows that consumers consider value, trust, care for consumers and environmental impacts of products they purchase.

While the trend toward environmentally conscious purchasing decisions is more mature in developed markets, research indicates the developing world is increasingly aware of environmental issues. Colgate believes it has a responsibility — and an opportunity — to provide products that address consumer priorities, including quality, affordability and environmental considerations.
Delivering Innovative Sustainable Products

Colgate provides responsible products that delight consumers around the world, while helping to protect the planet. The Company’s initial focus has been in its Home Care category, where innovative products help consumers make a difference. Such products may have recycled and recyclable packaging, require less water and energy for effective use, and contain environmentally preferable materials.

The Natura Verde line of Home Care products in Europe includes Ajax household cleaners, Palmolive dishwashing liquids and Soupline fabric conditioners. Targeted at consumers who are both eco-aware and who desire uncompromised efficacy, these products contain active ingredients of natural origins and essential oils, and their formulas are biodegradable while still offering strong performance. The line is packaged in PET bottles containing 60% recycled resin, which are lighter weight than comparable bottles and are also 100% recyclable.

Cold Power 2x Ultra concentrate laundry detergent, sold in Australia and Mexico, is specially formulated to work in cold water, which saves energy used to heat water during the wash cycle. It is also sold in smaller packaging than its previous formula. It requires 33% less cardboard for the powder form and 26% less plastic for the liquid, is made with 51% less water and requires fewer trucks for its transport.

Suavitel No-Rinse Fabric Softener saves the equivalent of over 63 billion eight-ounce glasses of water annually by eliminating the need for a manual rinse cycle.

Palmolive eco+ automatic dishwasher detergent was introduced in 2008 and is phosphate-free, which is better for lakes and streams.

In 2010, Colgate launched Palmolive Antibacterial dish liquid, registered with the U.S. EPA to kill bacteria on dishes and hard non-porous kitchen surfaces in seconds, when used as directed.
Colgate will continue to focus on concentrated products, including dish detergent, household cleaners and fabric softeners. Concentrated products have a decreased environmental impact because they require less packaging, less water and less transportation energy. Today, 38 percent of Colgate’s fabric conditioners and 27 percent of the Company’s dish detergents are concentrated. Concentrated formulas include Fleecy 2x fabric conditioner in Canada, Suavitel fabric conditioner in North America, South Africa and Latin America, Dynamo laundry detergent in South Pacific, and Palmolive Ultra concentrated dish detergent in North America.

Sustainable products mean more than “green” at Colgate: Access to Colgate products such as toothpaste, soap and household cleaners can contribute to the health and well-being of consumers throughout the world, and Colgate works to ensure innovative products are available at all price points to deliver a positive impact on society.

In Colgate’s Africa Division, less expensive “Smart Packs” of Sta-Soft Fabric Conditioner were introduced to ensure affordability for consumers at lower price points.

Protex and Softsoap® brand partner with the Global Public-Private Partnership for Handwashing with Soap to promote proper handwashing education around the world.

Colgate’s 360° Hand Washing Campaign in South Africa reached 600,000 children with hand washing education in schools and used in-store elements to highlight Protex as a cold and flu fighter. Colgate teamed up with one of South Africa’s most popular sports stars, Bryan Habana, to motivate children through the Protex “Gimme 5 Steps to Germ-Free Hands” campaign. The campaign has been a powerful motivator for young children, and the mobile ambassador school program is reaching one million children. Over 1,800 children joined to set a new standing in the Guinness Book of World Records for the largest number of people washing their hands simultaneously in the same place on Global Handwashing Day.
Focus on Packaging

As a consumer-packaged-goods company, Colgate takes seriously its responsibility to improve the sustainability profile of packaging and reduce packaging waste. Packaging Eco-Design and Material Selection guidelines have been developed, and the Company's packaging experts in every category around the world share internal and external developments via “Packaging Sustainability News,” an internal newsletter.

Measuring Progress

Colgate will

- Increase recycled and recyclable content
- Design Personal Care and Home Care packaging for reuse or refill
- Reduce packaging weight by 5% by 2012 compared to 2008
- Achieve goal of an average of 30% post-consumer plastic in all PET bottles by 2012, based on availability
- Continue to seek means of discontinuing the use of Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)
- Increasingly purchase paper and cartons supplied from certified forests
- Research biopolymer options

Partnering on Progress

- Colgate actively participates on the International Standards Organization (ISO) Subcommittee on Packaging and the Environment, which will produce a set of global standards on proper assessment of packaging impact in the waste stream.
- Colgate founded the American Institute for Packaging and the Environment (AMERIPEN) with other companies. AMERIPEN is a trade organization focused on coordinating the industry's environmental packaging efforts.
- Colgate provided design guidance to the International Safe Transit Association for the preparation of “Responsible Packaging by Design.”
- Colgate participated in a pilot program with Walmart to assess the metrics proposed by the Global Packaging Project.
- Colgate participated in a U.S. EPA-facilitated discussion with state and local governments, NGOs and other brand owners on the subject of sustainable financing for the recycling of packaging materials.

See the Planet section in this report for more information about Colgate packaging and post-consumer waste.
Commitment to Safety and Quality

Consumers buy products from brands and companies they trust. The Company is committed to ensuring consumers can trust Colgate products for their reliability, quality and superior performance. Colgate’s robust Research and Development program is designed to provide effective and safe consumer-preferred products. The Company also has the following policies and publications:

- Product Safety Research Policy
- Environmental, Occupational Health and Safety Policy and Standards
- Global Quality Policy and Standards
- Supply Chain Factory Performance and Reliability Standards
- Material Safety Data Sheets
- List of products that are free of animal-derived ingredients (U.S. and Canada)

Colgate complies with all aspects of the European Union’s REACH regulation (Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemical substances). Currently, Colgate does not use any chemicals in its products classified as Substances of Very High Concern by REACH.

Colgate partners closely with several large retailers to ensure safe handling, transportation and management of products.

Colgate is seriously committed to working with all stakeholders and addressing concerns about ingredients. The Company will continue to study the impacts of ingredients and choose materials according to the latest, sound scientific research.

- The specific phthalates used in Colgate’s products have an excellent safety profile and are used at very low levels. The health and environmental effects of these compounds have been extensively studied by independent scientists and governmental bodies, including the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Health Canada and other scientific bodies in Europe, North America and Japan.
- Colgate does not use nanotechnology in its products. Any new potential nanoparticle ingredient will undergo a safety assessment prior to use in any Colgate product.
- Colgate’s new Palmolive antibacterial dish liquid is the first product in the industry to be registered with the U.S. EPA to kill bacteria on dishes in 30 seconds. Colgate will continue to research such technology and bring it to the market whenever possible.
Product Safety Testing

Colgate has a longstanding worldwide policy to minimize and to ultimately eliminate animal testing for all consumer products.

- Central to this commitment are the Company's 20-year long efforts to encourage the development of alternatives that are scientifically valid and can be accepted by safety regulators. Colgate is a leader in promoting, encouraging and participating in the development, validation and acceptance of alternative non-animal testing methods worldwide, investing over a million dollars annually on research with non-animal alternatives. The Company works closely with worldwide regulatory agencies to examine how non-animal tests can be incorporated into their safety requirements for consumer products.
- Recently, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) created a “Working for Regulatory Change” list to promote corporate activism in alternatives research. Colgate-Palmolive is the first company to meet PETA’s stringent requirements and heads this list. In 2010, no animal tests were conducted. Colgate looks forward to a day when all necessary safety studies can be performed without the use of animals and will continue to work to make that day come sooner.

Partnering to Develop Alternatives

Colgate continues its commitment to finding and using alternative methods through support and involvement with the European Partnership for Alternative to Animals (EPAA) and the Institute for In Vitro Science (IIVS). Colgate actively shares its work to reduce animal use and develop alternatives, so that this information can help others in their search for ways to minimize animal use.
Business Integrity

Integrity in the way Colgate conducts business is vital to the Company’s reputation and success. With governance principles that guide business management and oversight, and a Code of Conduct and ethics policy embedded into Company culture, Colgate ensures its business success goes hand in hand with business integrity.

Formalized in 1996, Colgate’s “Guidelines on Significant Corporate Governance Issues,” updated periodically, include formal charters defining the duties of each Board committee and guiding their execution. The Board of Directors is composed entirely of outside independent directors except for the CEO, and all directors who serve on the committees overseeing audit, compensation and governance matters are independent.

A constant dedication to good governance shapes our Colgate culture and leads to good business results.

— Ian Cook, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Colgate’s Governance Principles

- Colgate’s Board of Directors is independent, experienced and diverse.
- Colgate’s Board focuses on key business priorities and leadership development.
- Open communication between and among directors and management fosters effective oversight.
- Established policies guide governance and business integrity.
- Colgate’s Board plays an active role overseeing the integrity of the financial statements of the Company.

Colgate’s annual Code of Conduct certification and training process reinforces the Company’s expectations regarding acceptable and appropriate employee behavior.

Colgate is also committed to acting responsibly when communicating with consumers. The Company is committed to advertising responsibly; sensitively addressing public concerns, interests and sensibilities; and seeking media opportunities that are positive in nature, contain positive role models and have a family orientation. Colgate’s advertising guidelines and advertising placement policy serve to ensure the most effective, quality advertising for all of our products.

Ethisphere Magazine ranked Colgate one of the 2011 World’s Most Ethical Companies.

Since 2007, the employee target audience for the annual Code of Conduct certification process has increased each year. In 2011, the Code of Conduct certification and training process was expanded to include all Colgate people around the globe.
Ensuring Future Performance

Innovation
Colgate will continue to look for opportunities to grow the business by excelling in areas where the Company already does business and where logical, synergistic expansion opportunities exist. At the same time, the Company will continue to drive for excellence through innovation and execution. This will include innovation in all areas, with sustainability as a key focus.

As we continue to face tough external challenges, we remain confident that we have the right strategies in place to build on our past success, and are committed to executing those strategies with speed and agility.

— Ian Cook, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Risk Management
Risk management is vital to the Company’s financial success and business continuity in an ever-changing world with limited resources. A team led by a corporate risk management committee and headed by the Chief Financial Officer identifies and mitigates risk to the business. The Company has also established an Operations Risk Management Committee that identifies the most serious operating risks to the Company and ensures that risks are appropriately quantified and minimized by preventative management. The Committee meets quarterly and includes senior executives from many disciplines.
Colgate is committed to conducting its business in an environmentally sound manner. As discussed in the Performance section, exciting innovations and opportunities in new products and packaging continue to reduce the environmental footprint of the products Colgate consumers trust.

Colgate's commitment to reducing the environmental impact of its 60+ manufacturing operations around the world means more than just recycling paper and reducing waste.

After setting ambitious 2002 to 2010 goals to reduce energy use, greenhouse gas emissions, water use and wastewater loading (defined as chemical oxygen demand), Colgate people put plans in place to meet or exceed the goals. From innovative energy-efficient manufacturing processes to new cleaning methods and water use efficiency technologies, Colgate people have worked to reduce the company's environmental footprint.

At a Glance

21% improvement in greenhouse gas emissions per ton of product manufactured in 2010 vs. 2002

44% reduction in water use in manufacturing per ton of product manufactured from 2002 to 2010

0 environmental incidents1 in 2010

7 Leadership in Energy Environmental Design (LEED®)- certified facilities constructed for Colgate since 20062

CDP
Recognized as a member of the Global Carbon Disclosure Leadership Index and the S&P 500 Carbon Disclosure Leadership Index in 2010

60 members of Colgate's Global Energy Coordinator Network

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Colgate believes businesses have a vital role to play in the global issue of climate change, and is committed to continuously improving its greenhouse gas accounting processes, performance and governance around this challenge.

Reducing energy use is a key component in reducing greenhouse gas emissions. According to the International Energy Agency, improved energy efficiency in buildings, industrial processes and transportation could reduce the world’s energy needs in 2050 by one-third, and help control global emissions of greenhouse gases.

Colgate’s 8.6% decrease in energy use is equivalent to saving 115 million liters of gasoline from 2002 to 2010. That’s enough gasoline to drive an average passenger car almost 700 million miles — 28,110 times around the earth at the equator.

Colgate named a 2011 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year.
Highlights on Colgate’s Journey to Reduced Greenhouse Gas Emissions

1998
- Started collecting and analyzing global energy use data

2002 to 2004
- Completed first greenhouse gas inventory
- Established a Global Energy Reduction team, which has created several tools for all facilities, including an Energy Reduction Guidebook, online training, and energy efficiency guidelines for new plants and warehouses
- First reported to Carbon Disclosure Project

2006 to 2007
- Achieved U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) LEED certification for seven newly constructed manufacturing facilities and Global Technology Center (2006 to 2011)
- Joined ENERGY STAR as a Partner
- Set 2% of capital budget for investment in energy and carbon reduction products

2008
- Recognized as a member of the Carbon Disclosure Leadership Index
- Engaged over fifty of Colgate’s largest suppliers and contract manufacturers to participate in CDP’s Supply Chain Leadership Collaboration
- Completed baseline greenhouse gas inventory for Europe Logistics Network
- Earned U.S. EPA SmartWay certification for Hill’s Pet Nutrition business

2009
- Recognized as a member of the Carbon Disclosure Leadership Index
- Optimized European logistics network
- Increased use of intermodal transportation (2009 to 2011)

2010
- Recognized as a member of the Carbon Disclosure Leadership Index (Global and S&P 500)
- Completed organization-wide lighting retrofit
- Earned U.S. EPA SmartWay certification for Colgate-Palmolive’s U.S. Company

2011
- Named U.S. EPA ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year
- Designated site energy coordinators at every manufacturing site around the world
- Set 5% of capital investment for projects that protect the planet
Assessing Alternative Energy Sources

On-site cogeneration units provide heat and power at three Colgate facilities located in Italy, Mexico and the United States. Cogeneration technologies recover and reuse waste heat, saving on the fuel used to produce heat or steam. This means Colgate facilities with cogeneration need less fuel to produce the same amount of useful energy. Cogeneration facilities can be 15 to 40 percent more efficient than traditional facilities, leading to fewer greenhouse gas emissions.

Along with a focus on increasing energy efficiency and cogeneration, Colgate is assessing renewable energy sources, including on-site wind and solar generation, power purchase agreements and carbon credits.


Moving Products to Consumers

In another effort, Colgate is improving the efficiency of distribution networks to get its products to consumers:

**Europe**
- Increased use of intermodal transportation, in Europe and the U.S., which increased the percentage of goods transported via ships and trains. When compared to using trucks and aircraft, intermodal transportation reduces greenhouse gas emissions and saves costs.

**North America**
- Opened a new Colgate distribution center in a strategic location in 2009, resulting in one million fewer miles travelled each year and over $1.8 million in savings annually.
- Decreased greenhouse gas emissions by 6% from 2007 to 2010 in the Hill's Pet Nutrition fleet delivery trucks.

Colgate is also improving the efficiency of its leased car fleet, and is working to track greenhouse gas emissions from its fleet around the globe. Today, greenhouse gas data is reported for leased cars in Europe and the United States. Business travel emissions are also reported.
Promoting Water Conservation, Access and Awareness

Water is life’s most basic need, and it is essential for business and growth as well. Water is an ingredient in many Colgate products, and is required in almost every phase of the product life cycle: from sourcing raw materials to producing products to consumer use of products. Clean water is also vital to the communities we serve and is an increasingly scarce resource in some regions of the world.

Colgate’s goal is to reduce water use wherever possible and increase the efficiency of its manufacturing processes. Colgate started collecting and analyzing water use and wastewater loading data in 1998 with a primary focus on manufacturing operations. From 2002 to 2010, Colgate facilities around the world focused on decreasing water use and wastewater loading.

2.8 Billion
In 2010 Colgate used approximately 2.8 billion fewer liters of water in manufacturing than in 2002. That’s more than 11 billion cups of water.

Global Manufacturing Water Usage

Decreased absolute water use by 34.6%

Global Wastewater Loading

Decreased absolute wastewater loading by 18.8%

Colgate’s Manufacturing Water Use by Division

In 2010, Colgate withdrew 7.9 billion m³ of water from municipal and groundwater sources.
“Colgate-Palmolive... and many others, have recognized the critical nature of water to their business and are taking steps on the journey towards sustainable water management.”

— CDP Water Disclosure 2010 Global Report

While Colgate measures and tracks water use and loading on a global basis, a more relevant picture is painted when water consumption data are compared with water availability and consumption information at the local level. Colgate has:

- Performed a geographical water risk assessment of facilities using The Global Water Tool developed by the World Business Council for Sustainable Development
- Engaged 18 key suppliers in Asia, Europe, Latin America and North America to gain a better understanding of their potential water risks using The Global Water Tool
- Conducted a global site survey to better understand how sites around the world were addressing water-related risks and opportunities
- Initiated the use of the Global Environmental Management Initiative (GEMI) “Collecting the Drops: A Water Sustainability Planner” tool to conduct water management risk assessments at seven of the Company’s largest manufacturing facilities, accounting for more than 35% of its global production volumes. Analysis is underway, and findings will be communicated at a later date.

Colgate reported publicly through the Carbon Disclosure Project Water survey in 2010, and was recognized for its best practices.

388,000
A 2011 team from a plant in South Africa won Colgate’s “You Can Make a Difference Award” for a manufacturing change that reduced the time and water needed to produce mouthwash and toothpaste. The change increased plant output by 25% and saved 388,000 liters of water annually.
Providing Access to Water

Access to water is a crucial issue in some of the regions where Colgate operates and sells its products. Colgate-sponsored “Play Pumps” in South Africa provide an opportunity for children to play and help villages obtain clean water from wells. Colgate has sponsored the installation and maintenance of 20 Play Pumps.

Recycling and Re-using Water

In 2010, Colgate conducted a global water survey to track and share best practices from around the Colgate world. Over 150 examples of recycling and reusing water were submitted. Globally, 52% of Colgate sites reuse or recycle water in some way. Here are a few examples:

- **United States**
  Implemented a reverse osmosis process saving 14 million gallons a year and a “smart” irrigation system saving 9.4 million gallons annually.

- **Mexico**
  Saved almost 370 million gallons annually through water reduction and recycling initiatives.

- **Brazil**
  Initiated inspection and testing program to identify and correct water leaks.

- **Greece**
  Reused pump seal water for other purposes.

- **Brazil, Greece, Mexico**
  Used treated wastewater to water landscaping in the community.

- **China**
  Exceeded local wastewater requirements at Huangpu plant and achieved cost savings.

- **Australia**
  Modified cleaning and sanitization procedures to reduce fresh water consumption.
Colgate’s commitment to water sustainability also includes educating consumers about reducing water use when using Colgate products.

“Bright Smiles, Bright Futures,” Colgate’s most comprehensive oral health initiative, promotes oral health education and prevention to children and their families in communities worldwide. The program has recently integrated messaging about water conservation in some locations.

Colgate collaborated with a major retail partner in Central America and China on a multimedia campaign that encouraged shoppers to save water by turning off the faucet while brushing their teeth. C–P Portugal, Denmark and Sweden also launched in-store category and brand activation initiatives to educate consumers about saving water while brushing their teeth, washing dishes and cleaning floors.
Reducing Waste

As a consumer products company, Colgate recognizes the importance of reducing waste at every stage of the product life cycle. From manufacturing operations to product end–of–life after consumer use, the Company seeks to reduce solid waste. Considerable environmental, financial and health impacts are associated with transporting and disposing of waste. The Company believes it can reduce its environmental impact and reduce costs by eliminating solid waste.

Waste as a Resource

Where it’s not yet possible to eliminate waste, the Company strives toward solutions to reduce or reuse waste. Using fewer resources inherently lowers costs; finding alternatives to landfill often lowers costs, and can even generate savings or value. Colgate is committed to reducing waste to landfill per ton of product manufactured by 15% from 2010 to 2015. To help track progress against this goal, Colgate launched a data collection tool for various types of solid waste in 2010, and data will be reported in the future.

Reducing Scrap Waste

A team in Swidnica, Poland, led an effort to reduce scrap waste from toothpaste tube and carton production, resulting in over $700,000 in savings in 2010. With the dedication of employees from mechanics to accountants, the plant reduced toothpaste tube waste by 21% and carton waste by 31%. Key to the project’s success was engaging plant workers to participate, and to know: “I have an influence on the scrap level on my shift; on my line, and in my production area.”

In the Philippines, Colgate repurposed in-store point of purchase materials to create furniture such as tables and shelving. At New York City headquarters, Colgate provides reusable bags, trays and mugs for employees to use at the Company store and cafeteria. The Company also purchases “remanufactured” workstations: recovering used, worn-out products and restoring them to “like-new” condition. The office also has planet-friendly carpeting from recycled material and ENERGY STAR office equipment, which uses less energy, and cartridge–free solid ink sticks to eliminate excessive packaging of toner cartridges.
Addressing Post-Consumer Use Waste

Colgate is also actively partnering with a number of industry and government groups to address end-of-life issues associated with product packaging. The Company:

- Partnered to establish the American Institute for Packaging and the Environment (AMERIPEN), a trade organization that represents the packaging industry and coordinates the sector’s environmental efforts.
- Participates on the International Standards Organization (ISO) Subcommittee on Packaging and the Environment, which will produce a set of global standards on proper assessment of packaging impact in the waste stream.

Colgate and eco-innovator TerraCycle have teamed up to recycle Colgate oral care packaging into new and affordable eco-friendly products. Since summer 2010, 4,000 groups across the U.S. — known as Colgate’s Oral Care Brigade — have been collecting used Colgate toothpaste tubes and packaging materials for TerraCycle to “upcycle” into tote bags, pencil cases, binders, picture frames and other products that will be sold by some of Colgate’s retail partners. This innovative partnership provides donations to charities of the participants’ choice. Colgate expanded the partnership outside of the U.S. — joining with TerraCycle and Walmart in Mexico to recycle used packaging in Walmart stores. TerraCycle is also working with U.S. facilities to recycle discarded products used in R&D.

“AMERIPEN will further enhance the packaging value chain’s commitment to continuously improving its sustainability profile and reducing packaging waste.”
— Joan Pierce, AMERIPEN President and Colgate’s Vice President, Packaging Sustainability

Colgate Brazil became the first company to make holographic toothpaste boxes that are recyclable. This project saved the company $2 million annually in material costs and will reduce waste significantly.

Reycling In Greece

Home Care’s sustainable product brand, Natura Verde, partnered with local recycling provider Greek Recycling to sponsor two integrated recycling centers in central locations in Athens.
Commitment to USGBC Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED<sup>®</sup>)

Colgate takes seriously its responsibility to maintain healthy, efficient, environmentally friendly workplaces.

Since 2006, Colgate has built new state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities, all of which have achieved LEED certification. LEED is an internationally recognized green building certification system. The Company’s global toothbrush facility in Vietnam was the first LEED-certified facility in the country.

Not only do the buildings reduce Colgate’s environmental impact, but the new site locations also reduce the Company’s overall exposure to water or climate change related issues.
Colgate has been active in emerging markets for over 75 years, first in Latin America, then Asia, followed by Africa and Eastern Europe. Colgate's business operations in emerging markets create value for people all over the globe by providing quality products at an affordable price, as well as employment and career opportunities.

Providing Access to Colgate Products
Colgate makes products more affordable in emerging markets with smaller sizes, refill packs and lower-cost formulas. Colgate also works for strong penetration and wide distribution, so that more consumers have access to Colgate products.

Succeeding in Emerging Markets
Colgate has built brand loyalty by maintaining a deep understanding of local tastes and habits across categories. The Company's nine consumer innovation centers, which are located close to consumers in different parts of the world, develop insight-driven innovation.

- To better understand consumers in rural India, Colgate researchers immersed themselves in the lives of villagers for two days, observing and discussing their oral care habits, how they clean their homes and other daily routines. A key learning was that mothers hope for a better life for their children through education. Based on this insight, Colgate implemented a special promotion that helped build awareness of good oral care habits and offered scholarships to children.

- In Latin America, based on consumer expectations for a dishwashing detergent that is tough on grease, but leaves hands feeling soft, Colgate successfully launched Axion Aloe and Axion Oats and Vitamin E.

- As part of its global strategy, Colgate has developed strong relationships with dental professionals around the world. This strategy has contributed greatly to increasing professional recommendations for Colgate brands.

The Percentage of Dental Professionals Recommending Colgate:
Brazil 71%, India 81%, China 85%

Global Standards
Colgate applies the same product safety, quality, environmental, occupational health and safety, business ethics and other standards to products and operations around the world. The Company also has a centralized information management system, which simplifies global reporting tools, leading to increased effectiveness and efficiency.
Developing Colgate People Everywhere
Colgate practices ensure that knowledge, skills and technology are transferred from headquarters to all operations around the world, and from all operations back to headquarters. Colgate provides employees with opportunities such as:

- Short-term and long-term assignment opportunities in different geographies
- Cross-functional swaps for employees at the subsidiary level to develop, share, and transfer knowledge and expertise
- Formal workshops to ensure best practices sharing and standard process adaptation across the region

Colgate’s intent is to integrate the local population into Colgate operations and leadership in all markets — in 2010, just 2% of Colgate employees in Latin America were expatriates, with 3 percent in Asia and 4 percent in Africa and the Middle East.

Engaging Suppliers
Colgate’s presence in emerging markets encourages the exchange of technology and know-how with local suppliers. Each Colgate-Palmolive facility operates in a local economy, where suppliers must adhere to Colgate’s Supplier Code of Conduct.

Supporting Communities
By establishing operations in emerging markets early, Colgate has contributed to local economies and communities and led ongoing programs to provide oral care and hygiene education. Some highlights:

- The Company’s “Bright Smiles, Bright Futures” oral health education program has reached over 650 million children in 80 countries since the program began.
- C-P China donated $1 million for community oral health education and treatment programs in China’s earthquake-stricken Sichuan Province. This partnership will not only support the region devastated by the earthquake, it will also create a new public oral hygiene service model for China through oral health education, oral examinations, oral disease prevention and control, and dentist training.
- C-P China also partners with the Ministry of Health on an annual “Love Teeth Day” Campaign with public relations messaging and free dental checkups in over 100 Chinese communities. Colgate partners with other organizations to educate the dental profession in communities throughout the country — for example, a periodontal training program has reached 1,500 dentists every year since 2008. These projects reinforce the Company’s continued commitment to the improvement of oral health standards of consumers.

- In South Africa, Colgate sponsors the Phelophepa Train, a mobile hospital that provides healthcare in communities where medical services and infrastructure are unavailable. Colgate also sponsors “Play Pumps” in South Africa, which provide an opportunity for children to play, and help villages obtain clean water from wells.

- Since 1990, Colgate has partnered with Morocco’s Ministries of Health and Education to provide oral health care education through the “Bright Smiles, Bright Futures” Program. More recently, Colgate became the official partner of the Ministries and expanded the program to educate new mothers.

- In Laos, Colgate’s Thailand subsidiary partnered with the country’s Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health and Hygiene to reach more than 400,000 children and teachers with oral health education.

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**Improving Oral Health for Factory Employees**

Colgate is partnering with the Vietnam Dental Association to help improve the oral health of hundreds of thousands of factory employees at industrial parks across the country. The program offers workers free dental checkups, educational oral health materials and access to dental health professionals year-round.
Colgate works with thousands of suppliers worldwide that provide the goods and services required to produce and market Colgate-Palmolive products. The Company looks at price, quality, service, and availability, as well as other factors in its procurement decisions. As a company that holds itself to high standards, Colgate is committed to extending this responsibility across its value chain to its suppliers. Operating in a more sustainable manner will only be achieved in partnership with Colgate’s business partners.

Colgate-Palmolive’s Supplier Code of Conduct

Over time, Colgate has built its reputation as an organization that has utilized ethical business practices and high levels of integrity as a vital business asset. The strength of Colgate’s reputation is based not only on its own conduct, but also on the behavior of its business partners. For that reason, Colgate aspires to work only with those suppliers that share its values. Colgate’s Board of Directors, senior management and all Colgate people are committed to the highest standards of integrity and full compliance with the Company’s Code of Conduct, as well as the regulations and policies affecting the business. As such, it is Colgate’s goal to ensure that its relationships with supplier partners reflect and support the same high ethical standards.

Colgate’s Global Procurement professionals work directly with suppliers, negotiating contracts for materials needed to produce and market Colgate products. Purchasing decisions are based on many factors; Colgate prefers to buy from suppliers that share the Company’s values and commitment to sustainability and social responsibility. Global Procurement personnel follow guidelines in the Global Procurement Policy Manual.

Colgate’s Supplier Code of Conduct is provided to suppliers, and Colgate’s contracts and purchase orders require suppliers to abide by applicable labor and equal-employment laws and Colgate standards, as well as the Environmental, Occupational Health and Safety Policy Statement, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and Anti-Bribery Policy. The Company’s Supplier Code of Conduct sets the Company’s expectations for suppliers in a number of critical areas, including:

- labor practices
- protecting the environment
- health and safety
- universal human rights
- ethical dealings
- management systems

The Supplier Code of Conduct is modeled on International Labor Organization (ILO) standards.
Evaluating Supplier Compliance

A key element of Colgate’s supplier management program is a comprehensive auditing program of suppliers’ facilities. This involves a complete audit process and set of tools for assessing and working with suppliers to ensure compliance with Colgate standards for quality and for service and supply excellence. The program is used for both existing suppliers and for qualification of new suppliers. Colgate’s supplier selection process includes, when appropriate, an audit of suppliers’ production facilities to ensure that the supplier can meet standards for quality and good manufacturing practices, and can meet required material specifications on a consistent basis. The questionnaires utilized for the audit procedures are currently being augmented to include questions and follow-up procedures regarding the supplier’s social responsibility/responsible sourcing programs, management and activities.

In line with Colgate-Palmolive’s focus on the social and environmental responsibility of its supply chain, Colgate is in the process of developing a Supplier Responsible Sourcing Assessment program, which will focus on improving suppliers’ performance in four critical areas: labor standards, health and safety, environmental management and business integrity. The risk-management-based program will include:
- a risk assessment of Colgate’s existing supply base in these critical areas
- supplier self-assessment against established standards
- third-party audits of compliance against established standards
- remediation policies and procedures for resolution of identified noncompliance
- supplier corrective action plans

This program’s objective is to ensure that Colgate’s responsible sourcing standards, as described in the Supplier Code of Conduct, are being followed in practice by Colgate’s suppliers. In addition, suppliers may report suspected violations of the law or activities in conflict with the Code of Conduct to the Company’s attention via Colgate’s Code of Conduct hotline.

Encouraging Supplier Diversity

Colgate’s Supplier Diversity team in the U.S. encourages increased and expanded business relationships with minority-owned and women-owned businesses, building strong diverse suppliers and developing mutually beneficial supply relationships, while strengthening the communities in which Colgate consumers live and work. Colgate has made a substantial and ongoing commitment to supplier diversity, both with direct suppliers and with their suppliers, and has increased spending with diverse suppliers each year for more than ten years.
Commitment to Responsible Sourcing

Consumers, shareholders and other stakeholders are increasingly interested in Colgate's point of view on responsible procurement of several materials:

Palm Oil

Palm oil is the most widely traded vegetable oil in the world, and is used in many food and household products. Over 85 percent of the world’s palm oil comes from Indonesia and Malaysia, where land is sometimes converted from forest to palm plantations, resulting in greenhouse gas emissions, lower levels of biodiversity and social concerns.

Colgate has long been committed to identifying sources of certified sustainable palm oil and derivatives or to replacing palm oil derivatives with alternative ingredients in Colgate products. While palm oil and palm oil derivatives are important ingredients for Colgate, less than approximately 0.2 percent of the combined palm oil output of Malaysia, Indonesia and Thailand is sold to the Company.

In October 2007, Colgate joined the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO), an organization working to develop standards in conjunction with government and owners to ensure palm oil is grown and harvested in a sustainable manner. Additionally, Colgate is a member of an industry consortium, the Coalition on Sustainable Palm Oil, with the mission of accelerating the availability of sustainable palm oil and its derivatives. Colgate has also sought alternatives such as the procurement of certificates or the replacement of palm oil and its derivatives in Colgate products with other oils. In addition, Colgate continues to support a moratorium on further deforestation by palm oil producers and has communicated that position to its suppliers who have direct contact with the producers.

In 2009, Colgate committed to purchasing palm oil and palm kernel oil from RSPO members only and advised each of its suppliers of that commitment. During these discussions we also confirmed that none of the palm oil or its derivatives should be sourced from the Borneo region.

Initially the Company established a target date of 2011 for sourcing 100 percent certified sustainable palm oil and palm kernel oil. However, as a result of a lack of availability within the marketplace, in 2011 Colgate revised the target date to 2015.

It is important to note that Colgate’s need is for palm kernel oil, a palm oil derivative, rather than crude palm oil. Although the production of sustainable crude palm oil increased somewhat between 2009 and 2011, the production of palm kernel oil has not. As of September 2011, it was reported that there were only 0.4 million metric tons of certified sustainable palm kernel oil in production (representing just 7 percent of total production). Colgate’s recent effort to convert to certified sustainable palm kernel oil in one of its European markets, although successful, demonstrates how challenging it is to identify a consistent supply stream. Only one supplier globally had the capacity to satisfy the request.

A challenge remains as to how to verify supplier compliance. As Colgate does not have direct contact with the growers we must rely on the RSPO who conducts audits and on the legal documents provided by the three brokers from whom we purchase palm oil and palm oil derivatives.

Colgate continues to advocate for the availability of sustainable palm oil and its derivatives and remains committed to working towards its target date of 2015 for sourcing 100 percent certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil derivatives. The Company will report quantitative and qualitative progress annually to the RSPO and within our sustainability report.
Tallow

Tallow is a key ingredient in bar soap production, and is derived from cattle. Colgate sources tallow from suppliers in North America, Latin America and Europe. In Brazil, concerns that rising demand for cattle is prompting farmers to clear parts of the Amazon rainforest led to Colgate's policy to source no tallow from high-risk areas.

Not only is the Amazon the world's largest tract of tropical rainforest, it also plays a critical role in the carbon cycle, "locking up" hundreds of billions of tons of carbon in its vegetation. Loss of forests contributes as much as 30 percent of global greenhouse gas emissions each year, almost as much as the global transportation sector.

To ensure compliance with the policy, Colgate implemented an audit program, which requires suppliers to certify that they are following all the environmental and social requirements set forth by the Brazilian Institute of Environment and Renewable Natural Resources (IBAMA). In 2010, Colgate purchased tallow from over thirty tallow suppliers that met Colgate standards.

Paper and Board

Much of Colgate's packaging material is derived from wood-derived or paper-based products. Colgate prefers to purchase paper packaging from well-managed forests or from recycled material when available. The Company understands the priority for certified wood-derived products to prevent illegal logging, deforestation and conversion of old-growth forests to monoculture plantations.

Colgate purchases paper and cardboard from hundreds of suppliers around the world. According to an internal analysis, 70 percent of the Company's paper and board spending is with suppliers certified by groups such as the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Programme for Endorsement of Forest Certification Schemes (PEFC) and Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI).

An improved strategy for sustainable sourcing of paper and board is under development.
Engaging Suppliers

Colgate recognizes that its emissions and water use are not only limited to its own operations, but are also embedded in the supplies required to make and market Colgate-Palmolive products.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions
In addition to its efforts to decrease greenhouse gas emissions associated with its own operations, Colgate has participated in the Carbon Disclosure Project’s Supply Chain Leadership Collaboration Project since its inception in 2008, increasing the scope of suppliers each year. By working with this program, Colgate gathers data to get a better understanding of its overall environmental footprint. In 2011, its top 60 contract manufacturers, raw-material, packaging and logistics suppliers were invited to participate. In an effort to further engage suppliers and to drive emissions reductions among suppliers, Colgate also sent a letter encouraging the suppliers to set energy reduction targets, participate in the U.S. EPA ENERGY STAR program and to make their disclosure publicly available.

Water Use
Colgate’s focus on water use extends beyond operations and product use to its suppliers. As water availability and quality decline in some areas, the Company continues to assess and minimize associated risks to the business.

Colgate is consistently working to understand future risks and opportunities to its suppliers, its facilities and its consumers; Colgate believes it will be well prepared to address the issues if regional water availability and quality change due to climate change or other factors.

In 2010, Colgate performed a geographical water risk assessment of eighteen key suppliers in Asia, Europe, Latin America and North America using the World Business Council for Sustainable Development’s Global Water Tool. Some suppliers are in regions with extreme water scarcity, while other suppliers are located in regions with water abundance. Colgate plans to use the assessment results and other tools to engage key stakeholders to better understand any potential water risks.
Another important element of Colgate's sustainability strategy is the way it makes use of external partnerships to complement the Company's strong internal capability. Colgate has many such partnerships with a broad array of suppliers, research institutions, universities and other industry sources. Notably, the Company has developed key partnerships with innovative ingredient suppliers and leaders in scientific research including the Forsyth Institute and DuPont.

Here are just some of the groups the Company partners with on sustainability:

American Cleaning Institute (ACI) — Colgate provided energy and greenhouse gas emissions data, and supported publication of ACI’s first sustainability report in 2010.

American Institute for Packaging and the Environment (AMERIPEN) — Colgate joined with other companies in 2011 to found this organization, which is focused on coordinating the industry’s environmental packaging efforts.

Animal Shelters around the World — Hill's is partnering with animal shelters around the world to encourage pet adoption and provide participating shelters with a stable supply of Hill's Science Diet/Plan, which is fed exclusively to the dogs and cats under their care.

Consumer Specialty Products Association (CSPA) — Since 2007, Colgate has participated in the U.S.-based CSPA’s Product Care program. Product Care is a stewardship program in which companies voluntarily develop management principles for each of seven areas in a product’s life cycle, from development in a research facility through product use and disposal.

Global Child Dental Fund — Colgate is a founding and principal sponsor of this group, which builds on the achievements of the Global Child Dental Health Taskforce. Colgate established this group in partnership with the World Health Organization with the goal of eradicating dental cavities in children globally by 2026.

International Standards Organization (ISO) — Colgate actively participates on the Subcommittee on Packaging and the Environment, which will produce a set of global standards on proper assessment of packaging impact in the waste stream.

International Association for Soaps, Detergents and Maintenance Products (AISE) — Colgate joined other companies in Europe to voluntarily adhere to sustainability principles, most notably in the formulation and the manufacturing of cleaning products. This initiative is carried out under the auspices of the AISE Charter for Sustainable Cleaning; Colgate is an active member of AISE.
Public-Private Partnership for Handwashing with Soap (PPPHW) — Colgate is a member of this coalition of international stakeholders committed to promoting proper hand-washing. Every year, PPPHW organizes a Global Handwashing Day held on October 15.

Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil — Colgate is a member of this group, which is working on solutions for the use and growth of sustainable palm oil.

Sustainability Consortium — Colgate is an active member of the home and personal care sector of the Sustainability Consortium, which is committed to improving product sustainability. Colgate is also on the Corporate Advisory Council of this group.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Design for Environment Partnership — Several Colgate products have been approved by the U.S. EPA to use the EPA’s Design for the Environment logo. Products bearing the Design for the Environment logo signify that the EPA’s scientific review team screened each of the product’s ingredients for potential human health and environmental effects.

U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) — Colgate has been a member company of the USGBC since 2007.

U.S. EPA Safer Detergent Stewardship Initiative — Colgate is committed to the use of safer surfactants without compromising superior cleaning performance. Surfactants are used in cleaning products to help remove dirt from surfaces, and they biodegrade at different rates. Surfactants deemed “safer” by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency biodegrade more quickly to non-polluting compounds, helping to protect aquatic life. Colgate has a long-standing process in which the use of new surfactants in products is reviewed to ensure the environmental profiles of new materials are equal to or better than the materials which are currently in use. Colgate has been recognized as a Champion, the highest level of recognition under this program.

Walmart Central America — Colgate partners with customers around the world on product sustainability and messaging to consumers. For example, Colgate is a member of Walmart Central America’s Sustainability Council, which serves as a consultant group to Walmart’s sustainability program for the region.
### Key Performance Indicators

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1 The number of occupational injuries and illnesses that require medical treatment per 200,000 work hours
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5 Cash contributions by Colgate charitable organizations, including cash contributions to the “Bright Smiles, Bright Futures” program
6 In-kind and product donations by Colgate to charitable organizations
7 Represents site-related spills or accidental releases that reach a water body, groundwater or soils or affect a third party
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