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Policy on Water and Marine Resources Impact and Risk Assessment

1. Purpose

This policy establishes VBN Components AB's commitment to identifying, assessing, and managing impacts, dependencies, risks, and opportunities related to water and marine resources. The aim is to support sustainable growth, regulatory compliance, and responsible stakeholder engagement in all operational contexts.

2. Scope

This program applies to all activities at VBN Components AB that use water or marine resources, including but not limited to production, R&D, maintenance, and office operations.

3. Guiding Principles

VBN Components AB shall:

- Recognize water and marine ecosystems as critical natural capital with social, ecological, and economic value.
- Apply a precautionary approach in assessing environmental and community impacts.
- Engage transparently with affected stakeholders and local communities.
- Align with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (notably SDG 6, 12, 14).

4. Process Overview

A. Identification of Dependencies and Impacts

We will:

- Assess freshwater use, wastewater generation, and marine transport dependencies.
- Identify current and potential impacts on water bodies, ecosystems, and marine environments.

B. Risk and Opportunity Assessment

We commit to:

- Evaluating physical, regulatory, and reputational risks.
- Identifying opportunities for water efficiency, recycling, and responsible logistics.
- Using tools such as the WRI Aqueduct Water Risk Atlas or WWF Water Risk Filter when relevant.

C. Stakeholder and Community Engagement

- Conduct consultations with local communities, municipalities, and indigenous groups where applicable.
- Integrate stakeholder concerns into our environmental risk assessment and action plans.
- Document and follow up on all significant feedback received.

D. Mitigation and Integration

• Develop targeted mitigation or adaptation actions (e.g., water reuse, process redesign, alternative routing).



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• Integrate water and marine risks into our enterprise risk management (ERM) and sustainability reporting.

E. Monitoring and Reporting

When relevant, we shall

- Set and track KPIs
- Conduct annual reviews of risk exposure, regulatory changes, and stakeholder feedback.

5. Responsibilities

CEO and Management Team: Approve and oversee the implementation of this policy

6. Continuous Improvement

VBN Components AB will comply with all applicable local, national, and international environmental regulations, including those related to water withdrawal, discharge, and marine protection. We commit to continuous improvement and innovation in water stewardship and marine responsibility.

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