

CEPSA'S POSITION AND STRATEGY ON AIR EMISSIONS

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POSITION

Air pollution is both a local and global problem caused by the emissions of certain substances that, either alone, or by the result of their chemical reactions, cause harmful effects to the environment and health.

Since Cepsa's activities involve potentially polluting processes to the air, Cepsa recognizes the importance of preventing and controlling emissions to the air in order to prevent or reduce the harmful effects on people's health, the degradation of materials, living beings and ecosystems.

Air emissions are generated mainly by combustion units, needed to obtain the heat energy required by the different processes at our facilities, although other sources exist, such as process and fugitive emissions.

Cepsa takes on the challenge and the responsibility to carry out its activities under a deep respect for the environment in general, and ensuring air quality in particular, by **preventing** air pollution, **reducing** emissions using best available techniques and **monitoring** them.

STRATEGY

Being aware of the importance of environmental protection, Cepsa not only complies with applicable legal requirements, but also promotes any action that will guarantee the maximum care of it in this order of priority:

- **Prevention** of air emissions of any harmful or potentially dangerous substance by using cleaner fuels, the implementation of energy efficiency measures, proper maintenance of its facilities and proper training of personnel involved the processes operation.
- **Reducing** emissions by applying, after a cost-benefit analysis and environmental study of the technical and economic feasibility, the best available techniques, by using the most appropriate technology in each case as well as the way in which installation is designed, built, maintained, operated and decommissioned. In this regard, the implementation of programs of inspection and maintenance of facilities is essential to detect, prevent and correct potential sources of emissions to the air.
- **Monitoring** emissions from facilities, either by continuous monitoring or through specific measures undertaken by Collaborating Entities of Authorities. In some cases, air quality is also monitored through measuring stations integrated in an air quality management network that allows to provide and transmit the information to the Public and Authorities in real time, as well as establish and activate warning protocols in order to avoid any exceedance.

The different business units in Cepsa work together and in coordination with the professionals in the areas of Environmental Protection, Technology and Engineering in order to adapt its facilities to the best available techniques, being able to reduce and even eliminate the emission of pollutants into the air and thereby minimizing the impact of Cepsa in the environment.