

## Supply Chain Transparency Statement:

### Addressing Upstream Traceability and Responsible Sourcing

ERSIGROUP (UK) is committed to responsible sourcing of our raw materials. While achieving complete traceability to the origin of every single material in the steel supply chain can be challenging, we prioritise responsible practices through the following measures:

- **Supplier Relationship:** Approximately 97% (based on 2024 data) of our raw steel is sourced from Celsa Steel UK, a CARES approved supplier. This close relationship provides us with greater transparency and influence over our supply chain. Celsa Steel UK demonstrates a strong commitment to responsible sourcing, as evidenced by:
  - Their publicly available Environmental Product Declaration (EPD), which details the environmental impact of their steel products.
  - Their comprehensive Supply Chain Policy, which includes rigorous supplier approval procedures with a focus on Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) criteria.
  - Accreditations to ISO 14001 (Environmental Management System) and ISO 45001 (Occupational Health and Safety Management System).
  - Adherence to the UN Global Compact and their own Code of Ethics, demonstrating a commitment to human rights, labour standards, environmental protection, and anti-corruption.

Approximately 3% of our other materials are sourced from a small number of additional suppliers who are also CARES approved. These suppliers align with our commitment to responsible sourcing and sustainability through their established policies and practices. While the volume from these suppliers is significantly smaller, we apply the same principles of responsible sourcing in their selection and ongoing management, ensuring consistency across our supply chain.

- **Traceability to Steel Production:** ERSIGROUP's internal procedures ensure that we can trace all our steel materials back to the mill certificate provided by Celsa Steel UK, linking them to the specific steel production batch (cast/heat). We acknowledge that tracing further back to the precise origin of all scrap used by Celsa Steel UK may present limitations, which is common in the steel industry. For the approximately 3% of other materials sourced from suppliers with similar responsible sourcing policies to Celsa, our current traceability focuses on our direct relationship with these suppliers. We continuously evaluate opportunities to improve transparency across all our material streams.
- **Ongoing Due Diligence:** We maintain ongoing due diligence to address potential risks in our material sourcing. This includes:
  - Regular assessments of our suppliers to ensure continued compliance with our quality and sustainability expectations.
  - Implementation of risk assessment processes to identify and mitigate potential environmental and social risks.
  - Engagement in industry and stakeholder initiatives to drive positive change. This currently includes:
    - Prospective support of local community projects here in Loughborough, demonstrating our commitment to social responsibility within the regions we operate.
    - Undertaking the initial stages of accreditation to the CARES Sustainable Resource Certification (SRC) scheme, which will further validate our responsible sourcing practices.

We are committed to continuous improvement in our efforts to ensure a responsible and sustainable supply chain.

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