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Setting Bold Chemical Footprint Reduction Goals

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Mercy Investment Services, as a ministry of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, recognizes the moral imperative of work for a just and sustainable world, and embraces socially responsible investing as a means of promoting systemic change to respond to the critical needs of the time.

Rooted in the Gospel and guided by the mission and Critical Concerns of the Sisters of Mercy.

Raise our voice to effect systemic change through corporate policies and activities.
Ensure the long-term health of communities, consumers, and the environment by using sustainable chemicals in products and manufacturing.

Addressing the systemic risks to people and planet from chemicals of concern is good enterprise risk management practice.

Market opportunity from investing in and prioritizing green/sustainable chemistry and solutions.
Key Metrics & Positive Practices

Key Metrics:

» Embedding safer chemical management into business strategy
» Calculate the chemical footprint
» Reduce chemicals of concern through timebound targets
» Report on progress
» Invest in safer alternatives and solutions
Increased attention from investors, governments, and reporting standard bodies on the systemic risks created by chemicals:

» International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM5)
» Investor Environmental Health Network
» ChemSec’s Investor Initiative on Hazardous Chemicals
» Change Chemistry
» Growing number of nature and biodiversity frameworks & initiatives
Thank you!

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