

Marks and Spencer (LON:MKS) publishes 2013 Plan A Report

Marks & Spencer's 2013 Plan A Report is published today. The company has now achieved 139 of its 180 Plan A commitments and generated a £135m Plan A net benefit.

<http://planareport.marksandspencer.com/>

The report shows progress against the company's 2015 targets and highlights include:

- Over 470,000 M&S customers engaged in Plan A through online and social media.
- 45% of all M&S products have at least one Plan A quality (such as Fairtrade, organic, sustainable raw materials or healthier food).
- 23% absolute reduction in greenhouse gas emissions (against 2006/07) and carbon neutral operations in the UK and Republic of Ireland.
- 31% improvement in energy efficiency (against 2006/07).
- First major UK retailer to gain ISO50001 energy management certification.
- 27% improvement in water efficiency (against 2006/07).
- Zero operational and construction waste to landfill.
- 1,100 people helped through the Marks & Start work experience programme with an 'into work rate' of 50%.
- £11m invested in community projects.
- £8m raised for charities by M&S employees and customers.
- 32% of M&S Food suppliers send no waste to landfill and 27% improving water efficiency.
- 48 out of their top 100 clothing suppliers have actioned energy efficiency measures.

The Report is independently assured by Ernst & Young using ISAE 3000 and AA1000AS. It meets level B of GRI G3.1 and includes a thought provoking commentary from Jonathon Porritt.

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