

LEVI STRAUSS & CO.

Toward Achieving Zero Discharge: Pilot Study of Supplier Facility Chemical Use and Discharge

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Levi Strauss & Co. is committed to minimizing the environmental impacts of its clothing manufacturing process. Stringent requirements for chemical compliance have long been an integral part of LS&Co.'s production process. In 2000, LS&Co. was one of the first companies to establish a [Restricted Substances List \(RSL\)](#), identifying chemicals that are prohibited in the manufacturing of our products.

Most recently, as a member of the [Joint Roadmap Toward Zero Discharge of Hazardous Chemicals](#) - LS&Co. is [committed to the goal](#) of zero discharge of hazardous chemicals in our supply chain by 2020.

The next milestone toward this objective is a pilot study of chemical use and discharge of 11 priority groups of chemicals from 16 supplier facilities located in key production markets (i.e., Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, India and Mexico).

The results will help to establish a baseline understanding, in order to focus capacity building, process change, and policy change with suppliers in the industry. It also will help to understand how to organize and improve supplier transparency and required follow-up actions toward the goal of zero discharge of hazardous chemicals.

The following are the links to 16 supplier facility reports on chemical use and discharge.ⁱ LS&Co. will follow up with each of the 16 supplier facilities to discuss the findings of this report and outline actions to be taken by the facility to meet the goal of zero discharge of hazardous chemicals.

FACTORY REPORTS ^{ii, iii}

- Factory ME 1 - Manufacturas Lajat SRL de CV
- Factory ME 2
- Factory ME 3
- Factory ME 4
- Factory ME 5
- Factory CH 1 - Jingli (Jintan) Apparel Ltd.
- Factory CH 2 - Zhongshan Yida Apparel
- Factory CH 3
- Factory CH 4
- Factory CH 5
- Factory CH 6
- Factory IN 1
- Factory BA 1 - Cosmopolitan Industries PVT Ltd.
- Factory BA 2 - Kenpark Bangladesh (Pvt) Ltd.
- Factory CA 1
- Factory CA 2

ⁱ In preparing this facility report [these facility reports], LS&CO. has undertaken substantial efforts globally to provide, in a short time frame, information regarding various chemicals. While for any data point it is possible that the result is in error (e.g., because of laboratory cross-contamination), LS&Co. is hopeful that the data will nevertheless be useful in helping identify where these chemicals are being used, and thus be useful in the ongoing efforts to eliminate discharge of these chemicals. No one in reviewing these data should infer that, by making these data available or by taking steps to eliminate discharge of these chemicals, the company is admitting that a particular data point is accurate, representative, or toxicologically or environmentally significant.

ⁱⁱ Where we have permission from the supplier, we have disclosed its name, in addition to the location.

ⁱⁱⁱ The water samples were collected and tested by Bureau Veritas (for Bangladesh, Cambodia, China and India facilities) and SGS Laboratories (for Mexico facilities). NimkarTek Technical Services was retained to provide data management, analysis and reporting of the findings.