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## **Product Stewardship Commitment**

Milliken (Australia) Pty Ltd makes every effort to go beyond recycling. At end-of-product-life Milliken provides the highest possible level of environmental stewardship by offering a product renewal and reuse solution called EarthPlus®. With EarthPlus® we aim to *reuse* product in alternative venues. This may include:

- Reuse in a commercial environment
- Donation to charities or community needs
- Cleaning and Re-dyeing the product for reuse

We consider every sale of our product to be a contractual agreement including an offer to take back our product at the end of its life at a nominal cost.

## Please note that:

- 1. A nominal cost on a case by case basis will be charged for the uplift, boxing and / or palletising of the used product and transport back to Milliken's Sydney manufacturing facility. Any additional charges that may relate to the removal and transport of the used product will not be covered by Milliken Australia
- 2. This is a reuse, not recycling process. Studies have shown this to be the most environmentally benign way to extend product life. All of the embodied energy that is used in the creation of the original product is retained; hence the product life can be significantly extended without the need for significant additional energy and resources.
- 3. All of the processes used in the EarthPlus® program are provided locally in Australia.
- 4. EarthPlus® products are supported by a 7 (seven) year warranty for wear, antistatic and dimensional stability. This is in addition to the initial 15-year warranty for the first lifecycle of the product.
- 5. Each 1000m<sup>2</sup> of modular carpet reused through the EarthPlus® process results in over 5 (five) tonnes of waste being saved from landfill or incineration.

Regards,

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