

In Kutná Hora, July 2021

Kutná Hora Alliance for Water Stewardship (AWS) Commitment

This year, our Kutná Hora factory is applying for <u>Alliance for Water Stewrdship</u> certification, the so-called "AWS". In recent years, 11 Philip Morris International factories have already been certified. By the end of 2025, the company wants all of our manufacturing plants in the world to have it.

AWS is a global program of cooperation between companies, NGOs and the public sector. Members of this initiative contribute to the sustainability of local water resources by adopting and promoting a universal framework for sustainable water use - the AWS standard. Primarily multinational companies are involved in the program.

Philip Morris ČR a.s. prepared a water management plan based on the five main areas of interest of the AWS (see below). In order to meet these criterions, a commitment was signed to implement the AWS Standard. Whether we meet all the necessary criteria and obtain a certificate will be decided during the audit, which will take place in the autumn of this year.

It will be managed by the auditing company SGS Czech Republic, s.r.o. (contact of auditor: +48 785 663 497, gabriela.procyk@sgs.com).

5 main areas of interest of the AWS:



GOOD WATER GOVERNANCE



SUSTAINABLE WATER BALANCE



GOOD WATER QUALITY STATUS



IMPORTANT WATER-RELATED AREAS



SAFE WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE FOR ALL (WASH)



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Philip Morris ČR a.s. as a result of its public commitment to good water management, undertakes to:

- Endorse and sustain the Alliance for Water Stewardship outcomes (good water governance, sustainable water balance, good water quality, conservation of important areas related to water and safe water, sanitation and hygiene for all);
- Implement and disclose progress on water stewardship program(s) to achieve improvements in AWS water stewardship outcomes;
- Implement the AWS standard by being aligned to and in support of existing catchment sustainability plans;
- Engage stakeholders in an open and transparent manner;
- Maintain the organizational capacity required to successfully implement the AWS requirements, by ensuring that employees have the time and resources required to accomplish the implementation and maintenance of AWS;
- Comply with the legal requirements and regulations respecting the rights related to water, including
 adequate access to clean drinking water, sanitation and hygiene for all workers in all premises
 under the site's control;
- Support water-related national and international treaties;
- Disclose material information related to water for the relevant public.

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