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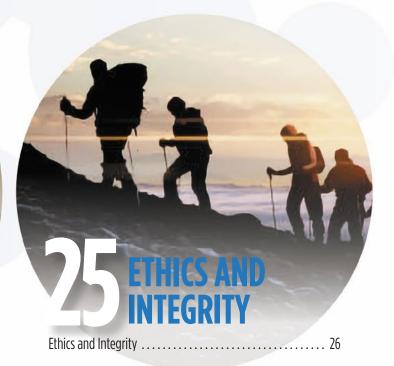




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To Our Employees, Customers, Suppliers and Investors,

Fiscal year 2020 began with many of the same ambitions and opportunities as any other year – pushing ourselves to be the best at everything we do – keeping our manufacturing employees safe, growing our business, delighting customers and innovating great technologies and products.

But in February, the pandemic brought significant challenges to the world... and our business. And at the same time, in the United States, a string of high-profile racial injustice cases involving African Americans challenged us to look at ourselves and our company.

In true Tekni-Plex fashion, we embraced the opportunity to always do better.

Sometimes, we weren't certain how to go about that, but just knew that we had to begin, and we would find our way. We let our values guide us, leaning on trust, respect, safety and valuing each other. We proactively acted to keep our manufacturing teams safe, allowing us to provide our customers with the products that were critical in the fight against the pandemic. We created TekniServes and TekniGives to support our employees and the communities in which we operate during some desperate times. We focused on supporting foodbanks to help with the growing food insecurity problem.

As we ended 2020, and moved into 2021, we began to strengthen our voice on many of the environmental, social and governance challenges facing us all. We will continue to face them together, working with all of our stakeholders and building on what we've learned. By doing so, we will become better corporate citizens, better stewards of our company, and better stewards of this earth. This first sustainability report reflects our efforts to be just that – better. As with everything we put our minds to, we will become better and better at sustainability efforts. You should expect us to do our part – our best.

#### Paul J. Young

President and CEO, Tekni-Plex



As a global leader in advanced plastic and rubber technology, Tekni-Plex engineers solutions to meet customer needs in critical applications that touch every aspect of life, from medical devices to food packaging.

Since 1967 Tekni-Plex has been a pioneer in using advanced polymer technology to develop innovative packaging materials, dispensing components, and medical tubing.

We leverage more than 50 years of expertise, in partnership with our customers and suppliers, to provide innovative and sustainable solutions that are good for business and the environment.

### **OUR CORE VALUES**

#### **SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT**

We ensure our own safety and the safety of others. We act with care for the environment and make business decisions that respect safety and the environment.

#### **INTEGRITY AND TRUST**

We are personally accountable for the highest standards of behavior, which include being honest in intent and actions, setting high personal standards and living by them, and being trustworthy and respecting confidentiality. We will treat customers and company resources with the respect they deserve.

#### **VALUING PEOPLE AND EMPLOYEE FULFILLMENT**

We value each employee for their own strengths, abilities and perspectives. We commit to equal employment opportunity and balanced work and life. We recognize that people have a need to define how to grow as human beings, expand their horizons, and meet new challenges.

#### **CUSTOMER LOYALTY AND SATISFACTION**

We strive to instill customer loyalty by ensuring customer satisfaction. This means respecting our customers, listening to their requests, understanding their expectations and developing relationships to become an integral part of their success.

#### **EXCELLENCE**

We seek that our products and services will be "best in class" and we will be professional in everything we do.



#### INNOVATION

We constructively challenge for a better way and sponsor creativity and the sharing of ideas. We embrace ideas for improvement, proactively identify opportunities for growth, and capture and share knowledge.

### **TEKNIVISION** HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2020

We have already come a long way ... we know we can go further.

Sustainability has always been part of what we do at Tekni-Plex and goes hand-in-hand with our Core Values.

Filtered through the lens of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, this 2020 Sustainability Report looks to the past and all we have done by just being who we are as a company.





































At Tekni-Plex, sustainability is at the heart of Product Innovation. We embrace the design principles supported by the Ellen MacArthur Foundation and develop products that are recyclable in common waste streams and/or contain recycled content, in order to reduce the footprint on the earth we share.





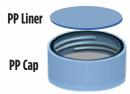


Lightweight Alternative

Standard Foam Liner

Substituting a PP closure liner for a PE closure liner makes the closure and the liner (together) easier for recycling into a single recycling stream.

Foamed closure liners are traditionally made from PE, which has excellent foaming, mechanical, and compression-set properties. These closure liners are typically inserted in closures made from PP, where PP is preferred due to stiffness, gloss, hinge properties and stress crack resistance. Closure liners are inserted behind the threads of closures, and the liners stay in place during the lifetime of the packaging. When a closure containing a PE liner is discarded, it will be rejected from the recycling stream because of the mixture of PE and





Tekni-Plex offers a PP closure liner that provides the same performance characteristics as a PE liner, but has the added benefit of making the closure

fully recyclable in a single stream.

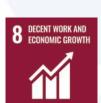
Tekni-Plex offers LDPE dispensing tubes made with 100% PCR and HDPE/PP dispensing tubes made with 80% PCR. A key requirement for products manufactured using PCR is that they have the same performance characteristics of products manufactured using conventional resin. The PCR used to manufacture our dispensing tubes offers similar processability as conventional resin and produces products with similar performance characteristics.

Mechanical recycling of plastics refers to the processing of plastics waste into secondary raw material or products without significantly changing the chemical structure of the material and, as the primary type of recycling available, can provide a reliable stream of PCR.



Source: Plastics Europe (Association of Plastics Manufacturers in Europe)











## TekniMD® and Tekniflex®PX A Sustainable

and Recyclable Alternative to PVC and PETG

Packaging plays a critical role in ensuring the integrity of life-saving medical devices and pharmaceutical products.

Until recently, this type of packaging was not easy to recycle.

Tekni-Plex's TekniMD® PX and Tekniflex® PX are high-performance, thermoformable, proprietary copolyester films that are suitable for #1 PET stream recycling, alongside soft drink bottles.

They offer an ideal alternative to PVC and PETG structures. Tekniflex® PX film and TekniMD® PX have been evaluated by an independent third-party laboratory to determine its suitability for recycling in the #1 polyethylene terephthalate (PET) waste stream.

No. 1 plastics, commonly found in soft drink, food, and other containers, are collected and recycled by most municipalities.

# First Pharmaceutical Blisters Containing Circular Polymers

Tekni-Plex has been a long-time provider of high quality, reliable products to the pharmaceutical blister market, offering a variety of barrier film structures to protect sensitive drugs over their shelf life. Historically, PVC has been the material of choice for such structures, often complemented with barrier layers such as PVDC or PCTFE (Aclar®).

Tekni-Plex was one of the first suppliers to offer a complementary series of polyolefin blister films, Tekniflex® COC and Tekniflex® ECO, demonstrating high recyclability scores in the PP waste stream. These substrates provide the same superior barrier to moisture and oxygen and can easily be used in place of other substrates on existing thermoforming equipment.

Tekniflex® COC and Tekniflex® ECO are formulated with PP skin layers. Tekni-Plex has secured access to circular polymers and introduced alternative versions of Tekniflex® COC and Tekniflex® ECO now containing chemically recycled PP resin.

#### There are two main advantages to chemically recycled PP:

**1.** This process allows the recycling of mixed plastic waste that cannot be recycled via traditional mechanical recycling processes.

**2.** New resins generated through this process exhibit the exact same properties compared to conventional resins, including meeting all regulatory requirements for pharmaceutical applications.

Through the chemical recycling process, Tekniflex® COC and Tekniflex® ECO can be manufactured with up to 30% chemically recycled material.







Keeping food safely and securely packaged is a critical part of our food supply chain, and Dolco Packaging's polystyrene (PS) foamed egg cartons, poultry and meat processor trays, and other products are an essential part of the solution.

Each year Dolco uses about 10 million pounds of post-industrial recycled PS, all of which was previously sent to a landfill. Dolco also regrinds and reuses almost all of the PS scrap generated in production. In addition, all Dolco manufacturing facilities accept PS egg cartons for recycling and a few locations also accept other types of PS products.

For example, Dolco's Wenatchee, Washington, manufacturing location has partnered with chemical recycler Agilyx to expand recovery and recycling of not just the PS packaging manufactured and collected by Dolco, but also other PS consumer packaging collected from the local community. Agilyx uses its proprietary recycling technology to create new, next-generation PS, which can be used by Dolco, with the goal of increasing global plastic recovery.

In addition, Dolco's Decatur, Indiana, manufacturing location partners with Walmart and its recycling partner to collect and reprocess used clothes hangers from Walmart stores. This post-consumer recycled plastic makes up 5% of the egg carton composition shipped to Walmart stores from the Decatur manufacturing facility.





Keeping employees safe,

protecting the environment,

and doing more with less

are not only good for business,

they are the right thing to do.

### OPERATIONS

### STEWARDSHIP

Carefully and responsibly managing freight and energy through strategically placing stock, reducing rushed and partial shipments, and optimizing operations to minimize energy consumption.

#### Tekni-Plex treads lightly.

In 2019, the United States alone used 143 billion gallons of fuel for transportation.¹
Discovery, drilling, refining, and transporting that fuel takes billions of gallons more.
Tekni-Plex understands that transportation and conversion energy are resource intensive, and we have a responsibility to conserve wherever we can. We are both consumers of transportation and energy and stewards of them as limited resources.

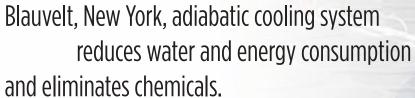


#### FREIGHT SAVINGS EQUALING 71 FOREST ACRES

Notable Projects:
Winston-Salem LED
Lighting Upgrade
Dallas Reduce
Intercompany Transfers
Ridgefield Chiller Bypass
Oct. - April



1. https://www.eia.gov/tools/faqs/faq.php?id=23&t=10



Investing in safety, efficiency, and the environment is a priority for Tekni-Plex. The capital improvement at our Blauvelt packaging manufacturing facility is an example. That facility produces a wide variety of single- and multilayered foam or foil/film closure liners for products marketed in glass, metal, and plastic containers. The Blauvelt facility also manufactures pressure-sensitive, tamper-evident, and peelable induction-seal liners.

Blauvelt replaced a 2,100-ton forced draft cooling tower, a 60-ton central chiller, and five water cooled chillers with an adiabatic cooling system, which yielded many sustainable benefits including:

- 80% reduction in water usage
- Future energy savings of 375,000 kWh per year
- Elimination of chemicals used to prevent Legionnaires' disease from entering the water system without sacrificing employee safety

Learning from Blauvelt's three years of success, Tekni-Plex Medical's facility in Belfast, Northern Ireland, is installing a similar system in FY2021.



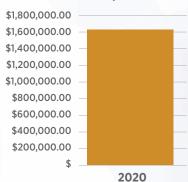




#### Tekni-Plex endeavors to do more with less through targeted investment.

In 2018 alone, an estimated 359 tons of plastic entered markets around the world.1 While Tekni-Plex knows its products contribute to a healthier, safer, more convenient world, we are mindful of the limitations of our shared world resources. Through targeted investment and continuous-improvement programs, Tekni-Plex knows doing more with less is good for business and the world we share.

#### Efficiency



Reuse

#### \$1.6 M WORTH **OF MATERIALS NOT REMOVED FROM EARTH**

**Notable Projects:** Wujiang, China, Scrap Reduction Blauvelt, New York, Reprocessed Material Erembodegem, Belgium, Reuse Top Seal LDPE

High Temperature
Re-pelletization
at Tri-Seal







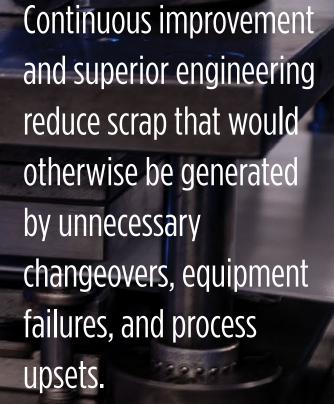












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1. https://oilprice.com/Energy/Energy-General/How-Much-Crude-Oil-Does-Plastic-Production-Really-Consume.html







for corrugated boxes, chipboard, and paper

Our Madison, Wisconsin, healthcare packaging manufacturing facility has focused on reducing the waste it generates and recycling as much of that waste as possible.

The only two sources of waste that leave this manufacturing facility are:

- Hand-carried garbage bags.
- Separated recyclable waste.

This facility has dedicated waste bailers and compactors for four waste streams, including corrugated boxes, chipboard, and paper. And, as an added measure, trash must be carried the length of the plant, whereas recycling bins are available throughout, making it easier to recycle rather than sending waste to a landfill.



As a global company, we recognize our responsibility to our employees, the local communities in which we operate, and our shared environment. We are committed to providing a safe and inclusive workplace, investing in people so they have the training and skills they need for today and for the future, and participating in and supporting the communities in which we operate.

### EMPLOYEES AND OUR COMMUNITIES

### At Tekni-Plex, our top priority is to keep our people and our communities safe.

The TekniGives program was established to provide assistance to our employees and the communities in which we operate during the current COVID-19 global pandemic and for other future crises, in a variety of ways:

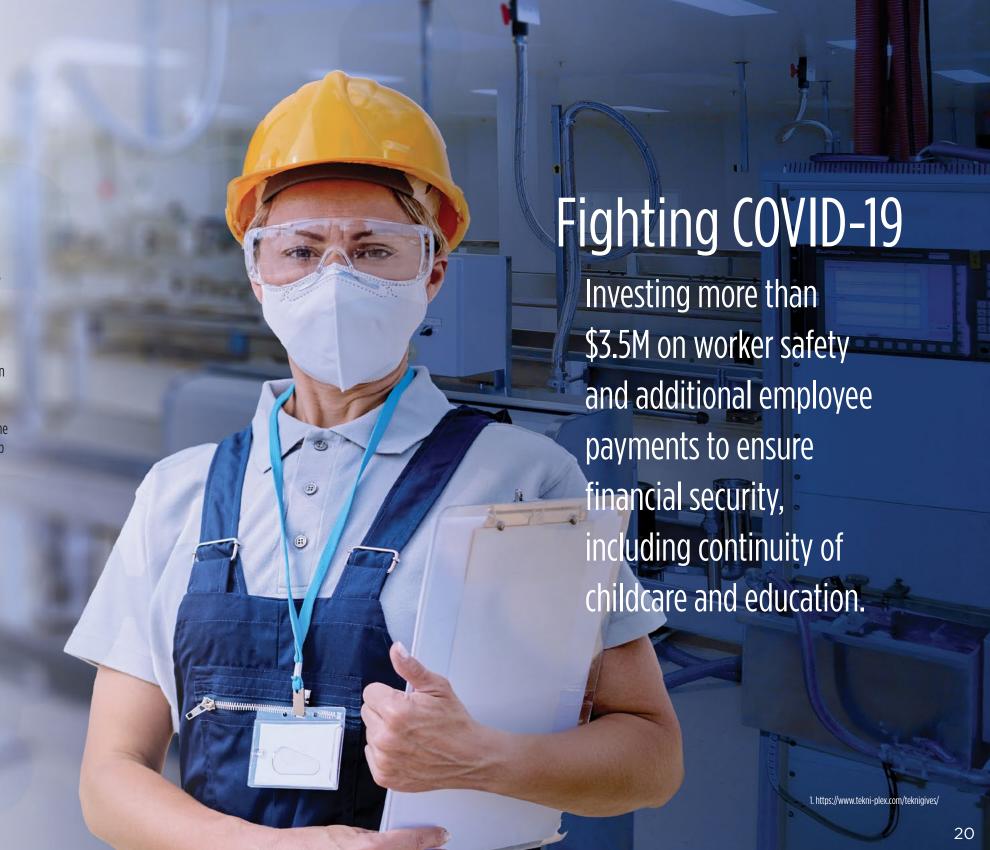
#### The TekniGives Employee Relief Fund

Created from individual donations made almost entirely by the Tekni-Plex Executive Leadership Team to help employees facing financial hardship following a qualified disaster; initially focused on supporting full and part-time regular employees experiencing financial hardship due to circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **TekniGives Solidarity Food Drive**

Participating facilities provided collection bins for food and other non-perishable items as well as the option to make monetary donations to any active food drive recipient organization.

In our communities, the TekniGives campaign also donated more than \$300,000 to certain charitable organizations. The purpose of these contributions was to directly support the communities in which we operate and to help them through the struggle with COVID-19. In addition, Tekni-Plex has committed to match contributions by our individual employees.







#### We are committed.

While Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) are not new concepts at Tekni-Plex, we are embracing a level of commitment, transparency, and investment that is new.

Firstly, we believe that we have a moral and ethical responsibility to provide a safe and equitable environment for all employees – an environment where diverse backgrounds and perspectives are valued.

Furthermore, we know that living up to this belief is good for our business and our customers in addition to our associates; diverse teams are six times more likely to be more innovative, three times more likely to be high performing, eight times more likely to have better business outcomes, and two times more likely to meet financial targets.<sup>1</sup>

We are at the very beginning stages of our deliberate journey towards enhancing diversity and inclusion. We have formed an internal working group to focus on DEI at Tekni-Plex, engaged an outside expert in DEI, and rolled out a study within Tekni-Plex to better understand how certain existing practices, policies, programs, and behaviors are impacting employee experiences at Tekni-Plex.

Employee input will inform our next steps as we work to transform our organization.











Tekni-Plex's strategic objective for talent management and leadership training is to develop our people and organizational capabilities in line with our Core Values so we can continue to provide industry-leading solutions to

> With Core Values like Innovation, Integrity and Trust, and Employee Fulfillment, Tekni-Plex offers every employee around the world the opportunity to stretch, grow, and succeed every day. Our employees are challenged to bring new ideas to the table, jump in, get involved, and make an impact. Tekni-Plex has a proud history and a compelling future. Behind every great Tekni-Plex product is a team of dedicated employees who are truly making a difference for our customers.

We are driving a culture that rewards those employees who demonstrate our Core Values with excellent opportunities for professional and personal development – at locations around the world.

We live our company values by recognizing peoples' individual and unique strengths and by looking for ways that they can contribute to the business. We focus on training our employees for skills they need today and the capabilities they will need tomorrow to ensure our future success.

Every Tekni-Plex employee has access to varied and comprehensive training programs led by either internal or external trainers in a variety of different disciplines, and we invest in our supervisors so that they can

\$700,000 INVESTED **IN 267 EMPLOYEES ACROSS 6 COUNTRIES**  motivate, develop. and drive the performance of their teams.



Integrity is the foundation on which sustainable businesses must be built.

Without integrity as a fundamental principle, there can be no sustainable business, no trust, and no culture of ethics and legal compliance.

### ETHICS AND INTEGRITY



### TEKNIVISION 2021 AND BEYOND

We have already come a long way ... we know we can go further.

Looking forward, with sustainability in the spotlight, it will be exciting to see what we can accomplish in 2021 and beyond.



implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). UNITAR offers resources and services that enable countries and organizations to align their strategies and policies with the SDGs, as well as to build the knowledge and skills of their staff to design and implement evidence-based decisions, maximizing positive impacts across all goals and pillars of the UN 2030 Agenda.

Through clear focus and hard work, the Erembodegem manufacturing facility has demonstrated sufficient evidence in all 17 of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals to achieve certification in 2021.



