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Overview of PBG's Commitment to GOTS

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Marci's Perspective on Healthy & Sustainable Food, Fashion, Beauty, Business & Life...with Style



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# Portico Brand Group (PBG)

Our mission is to bring an attainable sophistication and design aesthetic to the apparel and home fashion industries with an eco-friendly, socially conscious business foundation. Through creativity, innovation, education and uncompromising environmental awareness, we will excite, inspire and always deliver more than expected.

Our product range includes:

- > **Domestics** : bedding and bath fashion linens, basic bedding (down and down alternatives)
- > **Personal Care** : multi-sensory spa range and home fragrance
- > **Apparel** : women's contemporary ready to wear fashion, infant to pre-teen, menswear, intimates
- > **Hospitality** : bedding and bath linens, basic bedding (down and down alternatives), amenities

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# Corporate Sustainable Initiative

The Portico Brand Group is making a commitment to ourselves and our world to be environmentally conscious—using natural, recyclable, renewable, biodegradable, sustainable and organic materials whenever, wherever possible. From product to packaging, uncompromising environmental awareness is addressed at a time when it has become increasingly important to step up our responsibility and do what is right. Responsible, low impact manufacturing encourages a healthier planet.

## **Our Mills:**

- > Green energy
- > Waste management programs
- > Plant + water harvesting
- > Air quality programs
- > Energy conservation programs
- > Water conservation programs

## **Our Dye-houses (Huntsman, DyStar):**

- > Econference programs
- > Green Imperon Pigment Preparations
- > REACH Guidelines (research development)
- > Waste reduction programs
- > Plan for future sustainability

## PBG's Commitment to GOTS

All of our products represent the highest sustainability standards as the cotton is certified organic cotton and the processing is certified to the Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS), which prohibits the use of toxic chemicals from farm to finish product.

The Global Organic Textile Standard is the only credible source for organic textiles that addresses both environmental and social issues. It has become a natural fit for PBG allowing us to sleep soundly knowing that we have done everything necessary to ensure that from farm to finish, our products are made to the highest sustainable standards.



# PBG Requirements

To ensure all products comply with GOTS, the PBG requires the following from our suppliers on an annual basis:

- > A completed vendor questionnaire
- > Transaction Certificates for all production processes that are outsourced
- > Submission of Scope / Operational Certifications (GOTS, NOP)
- > Supplier is listed as a certified entity in the GOTS public database

## II. FIBERS/PRODUCT TYPE

What fibers does your facility currently use in manufacturing (i.e. Natural plant fibers, natural animal fibers, synthetic fibers from oil or natural gas, or cellulose fibers)? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What is the geographic origin of your fibers? This information will help us to assess the ethical and environmental concerns in that specific area. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What types of products does your facility primarily manufacture?

TOWELS \_\_\_\_\_ ROBES \_\_\_\_\_ BATH RUGS \_\_\_\_\_ BEDDING \_\_\_\_\_ BLANKETS \_\_\_\_\_  
OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

## III. DYING/FINISHING

How are the fabrics and/or garments dyed and finished? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Does your facility use finishes that are free of hazardous chemicals (i.e. Formaldehydes)?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Are the dyeing, printing or tanning methods involved sustainable? To what degree (i.e. Water use, free of harmful chemicals, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## IV. CERTIFICATIONS

GOTS \_\_\_\_\_ OEKO-TEX STANDARD 100 \_\_\_\_\_ SAB000 \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a GOTS certified facility, do you provide GOTS traceability certifications per transaction?  
\_\_\_\_\_

*The GOTS standard defines the requirements for organic status of textiles, from harvesting of the raw materials, through environmentally and socially responsible manufacturing up to garment labeling in order to provide a credible assurance to the end consumer.*

*The OEKO-TEX STANDARD 100 system tests for harmful substances that are prohibited or regulated by law, chemicals that are unknown to be harmful to the health, and other health safeguarding parameters.*

*SAB000 is a global social accountability standard for decent working conditions. SAB000 covers the following areas of accountability: child labor, forced labor, health and safety, freedom of association and right to collective bargaining, discrimination, discipline, working hours, compensation, and management systems for human resources.*

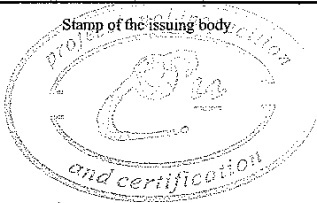

## Vendor Questionnaire:

This questionnaire was created by PBG to ensure that our products and manufacturers maintain the highest sustainable standards.

All vendors are required to submit in order to be considered by PBG.



TRANSACTION CERTIFICATE  
FOR DELIVERY OF SUSTAINABLE TEXTILE PRODUCTS (GOTS system)

1. Body issuing the certificate (name and address) Control Union certifications B.V. Meeuwenlaan 4-6 8011 BZ ZWOLLE NETHERLANDS		2. Standard: Global Organic Textile Standards (GOTS) Reference number of the certificate: PRJ 808964/096595	
3. Seller of the product (name and address) JIHUA 3542 TEXTILE CO., LTD. No. 140, Renmin Road, Xiangfan City Hubei Province CHINA		4. Inspection body* (name and address) Control Union certifications B.V. Meeuwenlaan 4-6 8011 BZ ZWOLLE NETHERLANDS	
5. Producer or processor of the product* (name and address) JIHUA 3542 TEXTILE CO., LTD. No. 140, Renmin Road, Xiangfan City Hubei Province CHINA		6. Country of dispatch CHINA	
7. Consignee (name and address) Pac-Fung Home Textiles (Heshan) Co., Ltd No.12 West Jianshc Road, Taoyuan Town Heshan Guangdong CHINA		8. Country of destination CHINA	
		9. Address and place of destination*	
10. Marks and numbers, container no(s), number and kind. Trade name of the product. Status of product certified according to Global Organic Textile Standards (GOTS) under the EKO Sustainable Textile scheme. Products as specified in box: 17 from organic production methods. Invoice no.: 02803459 d.d. 18-01-10 Transport document no.: 201001109 d.d. 18-01-10 Container no.:		11. Gross mass 6764.00 kgs	12. Net mass 6733.00 kgs
		13. Alternative units *	
14. Declaration of the body issuing the certificate This is to certify that the natural fibre content used for the products designated above has been produced in accordance with an organic production method recognised by the Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) and that the products have been processed in accordance with GOTS. Compliance with these standards is continually monitored by the inspection body mentioned in box 4. This page is only valid together with the signed and stamped Annex			
15. Additional declaration (if appropriate)			
16. Place and date of issue Shanghai, 25 February 2010 Name and signature of authorised person On behalf of Managing Director  Lifu, Mr. W (Wang)		Stamp of the issuing body 	
			

\*Explanatory notes

Box 4: The inspection and certification body for compliance with the rules on from organic production methods..

Box 5: The firm which carried out the last operation (processing, packaging, labelling) on the batch.

Box 9: The address of the firm where the batch will be delivered, if different from the address in box 7.

Box 13: e.g. volume in meters, to be given, where appropriate, in supplement to the declarations in boxes 11 and 12.

## Transaction Certificates:

PBG requires Transaction Certificates to ensure that a specific delivery (shipment) of products received by the certified exporter / supplier is GOTS-certified.

This certificate should list the actual products and shipment details.

# CERTIFICATE

CERTIFICATE No: C810190GOTS-01.2010

REGISTRATION No: CU 810190

Field of attention:

Textile certification

Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS)

Issued to:

**SEL Manufacturing Company Limited**

**Ludhiana, INDIA**

**Project in: INDIA**

Standard:

"Global Organic Textile Standard - GOTS" standards for the processing of fibres from certified organic agriculture.

**Valid until: 28 June 2011**

Control Union Certifications declares to have inspected the unit(s), and/or product(s) of the above mentioned client, and have found them in accordance with the standards mentioned above.

This certificate covers the unit(s), and/or product(s) as mentioned in the authenticated annex of this certificate.

This certificate is in force until further notice, provided that the above-mentioned client continues meeting the conditions as laid down in the client contract with Control Union Certifications. Based on the annual inspections that Control Union Certifications performs, this certificate is updated and kept into force.

Date of certification:

09 August 2010

Place and date of issue:

Mumbai, 10 August 2010

Declared by:

On behalf of the Managing Director

Mr. NA Samarasinghe

Certifier

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## Scope / Operational Certificates:

PBG requires Scope / Operational Certificates to ensure the supplier is approved by a third party certifier for the processing of fibers from certified organic agriculture in accordance with the GOTS.

This certificate must be issued by a GOTS-approved certifier (Control Union). Certification is valid for one year.



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Premier Knits Apparel (India)	India (IN)	Babies knitted garments Boys Knitted garments Childrens Knitted Garments Girls knitted garments Kids knitted garments Ladies Knitted Garments Mens knitted Garments Womens Knitted garments	<a href="#">details</a>

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## GOTS Public Database:

PBG requires all suppliers to be listed as a certified entity in the GOTS public database.

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