



Artopex unveils its third sustainable development report

Granby, Monday, December 9th, 2019 – Artopex is proud to unveil its brand-new sustainable development report covering the period from January 1st, 2014 to December 31st, 2018. This third report reflects the Quebec manufacturer's intention of preserving the balance between the environmental, economic, and social pillars in all its initiatives.

The report provides an overview of achievements and results related to five focus areas: Responsible business management, Supply chain responsibility, Quality of life, Manufacturing and environmental performance, and Responsible products. The report also presents the company's progress towards the ZERO 2X objective set in 2010 and the multiple major projects deployed in recent years to reduce energy consumption in a context of sustained growth.

"We are proud to see that we are on track for our 2025 objective of improving our energy efficiency by 50%. The next few years will be crucial, and I feel that our teams are ready to take the next step to meet this challenge.", states Daniel Pelletier, president and CEO of Artopex.

Constantly seeking to improve, Artopex closely monitors new technologies and innovations on the market and draws inspiration from them for the development of future projects, some of which are highlighted in this report. The initiatives deployed reflect Artopex's commitment to managing the company responsibly and ensuring its longevity.

The sustainable development report will be available digitally only on the website. Read the report.

A few highlights

- 75.2% of Artopex's purchases are from Canada to help reduce its environmental impact and to participate in the development of communities and in the strength of its local economy.
- Objective ZERO 2X aims to improve the energy efficiency of its production units by 50% over 15 years (from 2010 to 2025).
- In 2018, Artopex is at 64.3% of Objective ZERO 2X. The manufacturer is confident that, thanks to current and future projects, it will be able to reach its goal in 2025.
- One of its buildings has already surpassed Objective ZERO 2X with an energy efficiency increase of 139.8%.
- Natural gas consumption has already decreased by 36.1% compared to 2010.
- Three of its five production units recycle more than 95% of waste.

 7367,9 tons of residual materials (laminate) have been steered away from landfills between 2014 and 2018. Laminate trimmings are mixed with dust and used as a secondary fuel in a local greenhouse. Laminate dust is also used as a raw material for farm animal bedding.

About Artopex

A growing company that has been a member of Deloitte's Platinum Club for Canada's Best Managed Companies for over 12 years, Artopex is the only Quebec manufacturer to offer a complete range of dedicated workspace furniture designed and manufactured in Quebec: wood furniture, free-standing furniture, architectural walls, systems, metal storage, and seating. Founded in 1980, the manufacturer has over 850 employees across its 6 Quebec plants and its showrooms. It's with great pride in its roots and with a commitment to its community that the family business wishes to continue its expansion.

-30-

Artopex Media Contact

Mélanie Tremblay Director of marketing and communications Melanie.tremblay@artopex.com T (450) 378-0189 #3085 / C (514) 770-5550