

Press release
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Wiles Greenworld signs up to London's pioneering carbon management scheme

Wiles Greenworld, has today joined London's premier carbon club by signing up to a pioneering carbon management scheme backed by the Mayor of London, the Green500, which aims to address carbon emissions and take action against climate change.

The Green500 is an environmental programme funded by the London Development Agency to support the Mayor's target to cut emissions in the capital by 60 per cent by 2025. The Green500 intends to bring together large organisations with a significant presence in London and encourage them to work together to reduce the city's carbon emissions.

The Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, said: ' I am delighted that Wiles Greenworld is signing up to the Green500 and I would encourage other companies to take their lead. If we all became more energy efficient we would not only help to reduce the capital's carbon emissions, but also save money on our energy bills.'

Toby Robins, Operations and Environment Director of Wiles Greenworld, said: "The Mayor's Green500 initiative demonstrates a clear commitment to respond to the imperatives of climate change and provides a structured approach to make a clear and significant difference. As a Sunday Times Best Green Company, operating in London, we are delighted to be part of the project and to offer our contribution in helping London set a global standard for environmental excellence."

Each organisation that signs up to the Green500 is assigned a dedicated carbon mentor who works alongside the signatory to develop a tailored plan to reduce their carbon footprint and save money. Signatories to date include Marks & Spencer, The London Eye, TfL, Chelsea FC, Boots, The Natural History Museum and more. The prestigious group will come together for an annual awards ceremony, hosted by the Mayor, who will present members with a Green500 certification to mark their achievements, as well as a variety of special awards for high achievers.

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Notes to Editors:

Wiles Greenworld is a privately-owned, office supplies company and was established in 1935. It has grown to become one of the top five independent distributors in London and is particularly recognised for its environmental leadership both within the industry and externally (Sunday Times Best Green Companies 2009). Operating from offices and warehousing at Perivale, in West London, Wiles Greenworld services a customer base primarily based in Mayfair, the West End and the City. For more information go to www.wilesgreenworld.co.uk

The Green500 offers practical support and recognition awards to large businesses and public sector organisations in order to become more carbon efficient - companies who sign up will receive a carbon assessment, will be helped to develop an emissions reduction plan in line with the Mayor's target to cut London's emissions by 60 per cent by 2025 and, critically, will commit to publish their progress annually. Companies will be offered a 'carbon mentor' who will work with businesses to help implement the plan and achieve their target - there will be yearly awards to recognise those that reach their target and for top achievers. For more information go to www.green500.co.uk