**Auction Technology Group Environmental Policy**

**Policy:**

The Environmental Policy (the “Policy”) sets out Auction Technology Group (ATG’s) belief in making a positive impact on the communities and industries that we operate. ATG is committed to protecting the environment through minimising its own impact while contributing to the development of a more circular economy. Our online auction marketplaces ensuring that millions of items are resold for re-use or repurpose each year, extending their value within the economy, reducing waste and promoting recycling and the circular economy. ATG is committed to strong environmental governance and to ensuring compliance with relevant environmental legislation.

**Scope:**

This Policy covers all of our operations and applies to all ATG directors, managers and employees (whether permanent, fixed term or temporary). We expect all our third-party partners, suppliers, contractors and business partners to conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with the requirements of this Policy.

**Aims and Objectives:**

**Climate Change & Emissions:**

* ATG recognise the threat posed by climate change and the critical role everyone has in tackling this crisis. We acknowledge the potential impact it may have on our business and operating environment, as well as our customers. ATG is committed to minimizing direct and indirect greenhouse gas (“GHG”) emissions associated with our operations.

**Energy**:

* Reducing energy consumption will help us improve our carbon footprint. ATG is committed to improving the energy efficiency of its operations and sourcing electricity from renewable sources. We will continue to improve the monitoring of energy consumption across our operations.

**Circular Economy:**

* Expanding the circular economy is imperative for a sustainable future. We are committed to playing an important role in accelerating the growth of a resource efficient circular economy, with online auctions providing a channel of “re-commerce” by facilitating the market for second-hand goods. Our online auction marketplaces ensure that millions of items are resold for re-use or repurpose each year, extending their lifespans and value within the economy and preventing waste.

**Waste Materials:**

* We are committed to preventing waste within our operations alongside preventing wasted raw materials through our services. ATG is committed to recycling office waste and ensuring that IT equipment, at end of life, is recycled or repurposed to minimise waste going to landfill.

**Water**:

* Water usage is minimal due to ATG’s operations.

**Biodiversity:**

* ATG recognises the consequences of long-term damage to Biodiversity and we aim to reduce the impact of ATG’s operations on the local environment.

**Environmental Performance:**

* We are committed to measuring and evaluating the environmental performance of the group and will report our progress annually.

**Compliance:**

ATG is committed to ensuring that all members of staff are made aware of the scope of this Policy, their responsibilities and of the standards that fall within the Policy.

**Monitoring and Reporting:**

ATG is committed to continuous monitoring and improving of ATG’s environmental performance and reports regularly on any environmental issues as required by the appropriate guidance and legislation. We commit to consulting with our stakeholders on environmental issues and will update the Policy on an ad hoc basis.

**Responsibility:**

The Sustainability and Climate Risk Committee of the Board (“SCRC”), comprised of senior members of the management team and members of the Board, the terms of reference for which are approved by the Board, takes overall responsibility for the management of the Policy and for ensuring that all those under our control fully comply with it. Individual management is responsible for the implementation of this Policy at a business unit level. The Policy is reviewed annually at the SCRC committee meetings to ensure it remains fit for purpose and continues to promote these high standards of environmental awareness and protection.

**Approval:**

This Policy was approved by the SCRC on 7 March 2023 and by the Board on 29 March 2023.