" Can we manage sustainably and make more money"

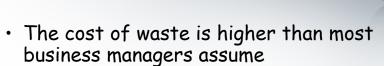
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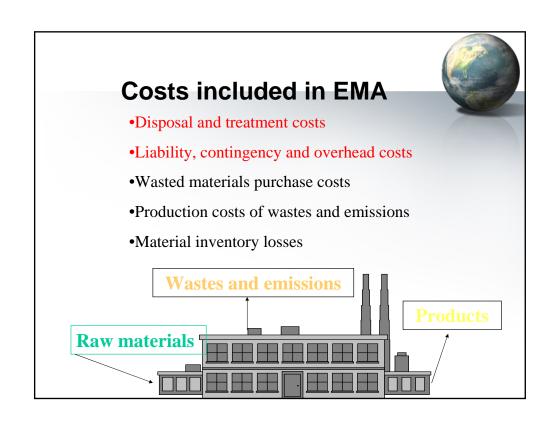
What we've done before

- EMA
- Expert Working group
- IFAC
- ISO 14001 / ISO 26000
- How can this idea be related to water and sanitation operations?
- Why should you be interested?





- The cost of waste goes beyond disposal costs
- Improved cost of waste information can be a powerful driver for implementing social responsibility in companies



Environmental Costs Are Often Underestimated

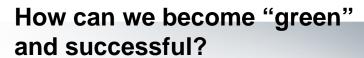


- Research Findings:
 - For every dollar of waste cost that companies actually measure, another 2 to 3 dollars of cost are" hidden" in the accounting records, or are not on the books at all
 - Companies typically underestimate how much waste really costs them, sometimes by several orders of magnitude
 - This applies even to big, well-managed companies

Shareholder Value



- Shareholder Value is today's value of the future earning streams Shareholders may expect.
- Shareholder Value is often equated with Market Capitalization which is the financial market's estimate of Shareholder Value.
- Shareholder Value is not the same as Enterprise Value but an estimation of future cash flows thus of perceived financial health

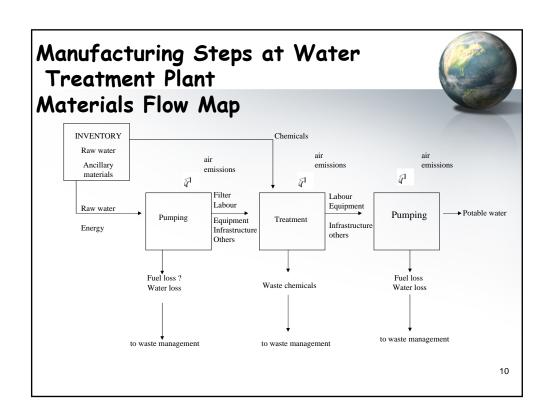


- Only "revenue enhancing" Corporate Sustainability Activities can be sustainable.
- Not every kind of Corporate Sustainability Strategy enhances the economic success of companies.
- The key question for companies is :
- → What kind of Corporate Sustainability Strategy has a beneficial impact on the economic performance of companies?

Environm	nental Shareholder Value Analysis – SONY (2001)						Score 18 1/2		
Environmental activity	Value Growth Duration (1)	Revenue Growth (2)		ng Profit rgin Costs (2)	Regulator y conditions	"tied up" capital (2)	Cost of capital	Partial Score Max (11)	
Green Procurement	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	-2	
Environmental Management Accounting System	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	
Resource & Energy conservation	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	
Waste Control *	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	
Chemical Substance Management *	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	5	
Product planning and design**	1	1	1	-1	0	-1	0	1	
Product recycling	1/2	0	1	1	1	0	0	5 ½	



- Capital-extensive: software rather than hardware ('smarter', smaller, cheaper installations);
- Low material consumption: reduced throughput (lower purchase, storage, and depreciation costs);
- Sales-boosting: increasing the benefit and attraction to customers (more desirable products and services for more customers);
- Margin-widening: increasing the benefit to customers and reducing the costs of producing the respective products and services (higher prices due to greater benefit and lower operating costs by improved operating efficiency);
- Safeguarding the flow of finance: confidence of the capital market (lower and more unsystematic risks and 'green bonus');
- Long-term enhancement of value: anticipation of future costs and earnings potential



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