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### **Tetra Pak emphasizes collaboration for sustainability transformation in Thailand and beyond**

*The company's 25<sup>th</sup> Sustainability Report highlights 20% greenhouse gas emissions reduction across value chain since 2019*

**Bangkok, Thailand, 31 July 2024** – Tetra Pak recently launched its 25<sup>th</sup> Sustainability Report, which tracks the progress the company has made against its sustainability agenda. It focuses on five interdependent areas: food systems, circularity, climate, nature, and social sustainability. Tetra Pak also emphasizes the critical role of collaborative efforts within the food industry to drive sustainable transformation in global food systems. At the same time, Tetra Pak Thailand has prioritized key initiatives on used beverage carton collection and recycling as compelling examples.

The company's Sustainability Report FY23<sup>1</sup> shows a 20% reduction in value chain<sup>2</sup> GHG emissions and a 47% reduction in GHG emissions across its own operations since 2019. The latter puts Tetra Pak on track to meet its target of net zero GHG emissions in its own operations by 2030<sup>3</sup> and supports the company's long-term ambition to work together with suppliers, customers and other stakeholders and achieve net-zero GHG emissions across the value chain by 2050.<sup>4</sup>

Another major milestone saw the launch of an aseptic beverage carton featuring a paper-based barrier, reducing its carbon footprint by a third (33%)<sup>5</sup> and bringing the company a step closer to developing the world's most sustainable food package.<sup>6</sup> This world-first was a result of a €100 million (or approximately 3.9 billion baht) investment in packaging research and development in 2023, with the same investment planned annually for the next five to ten years.

Tetra Pak drives circular solutions by designing recyclable food and beverage packaging and expanding collection and recycling to keep materials in good use and out of landfills. In Thailand, Tetra Pak has driven key initiatives to accelerate used beverage carton recycling, collecting more than 3,900 tonnes of cartons in 2023. The company is actively partnering with major industry peers to establish a Packaging Recovery Organization Thailand (PRO-Thailand) Network to promote sustainable packaging management.

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<sup>1</sup> Financial year 2023 (FY23) is the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

<sup>2</sup> Scopes 1, 2 & 3. Scope 1 covers direct emissions from owned or controlled sources. Scope 2 covers indirect emissions from the generation of purchased electricity, steam, heating and cooling consumed by the reporting company. Scope 3 includes all other indirect emissions that occur in a company's value chain.

<sup>3</sup> Scopes 1, 2 and business travel – compared to 2019.

<sup>4</sup> Scopes 1, 2 & 3 - compared to 2019.

<sup>5</sup> Carbon Trust<sup>™</sup>-verified Tetra Pak 'Carton CO2 Calculator' model version 9 (valid from 2023-01-01). Scope: cradle-to-grave measurement of a Tetra Brik® Aseptic 200 Slim Leaf carton with plant-based polymers in coating and paper-based barrier compared to a standard Tetra Brik® Aseptic 200 Slim Leaf package. Geography: EU Industry data.

<sup>6</sup> Tetra Pak's ambition is to create the 'world's most sustainable food package. This means creating cartons that are made of renewable or recycled materials, which are responsibly sourced, thereby helping protect and restore our planet's climate, resources and biodiversity; contributing towards low carbon production and distribution; convenient and safe, therefore helping to enable a resilient food system; fully recyclable.

The Green Shelter Project for Friends in Need (of “Pa”) Volunteers Foundation was an example of self-initiative project that implements circularity and social sustainability agenda. Last year 50 tonnes of used beverage cartons from over 150 partnered drop-off points were collected solely from this project. These cartons are then repurposed into roofing sheets as well as door frames and fibre cement boards which are then donated to communities in need throughout Thailand.

**Patinya Silsupadol, Head of Sustainability, Tetra Pak (Thailand) Limited, says:** “Through collaboration, Tetra Pak recognizes its vital role in maximizing resources and networks for sustainability impact. The PRO-Thailand Network establishment and the success of the Green Shelter Project reintegrating post-consumer cartons back into the economy exemplify this commitment. We are determined to work with stakeholders across the value chain both global and local levels, from food producers to suppliers, policymakers, and consumers to create a more sustainable future for food, people, and the planet.”

Tetra Pak’s Sustainability Report FY23 highlights further company achievements in the past year, and its ongoing initiatives to protect food, people and the planet. These include:

- Expanding **School Feeding Programmes**: The company helped **64 million children in 49 countries** to get access to milk and other nutritious beverages through School Feeding Programmes.
- Accelerating **Recycling**: Amount of carton packages collected and sent for recycling across the world rose by **7%** compared to 2022. Additionally, there was a **14% increase** in the volume of polyAl<sup>7</sup> sent for recycling.<sup>8</sup>
- Getting recognition, again, for **Leadership in Corporate Transparency and Performance**: For the eighth consecutive year, Tetra Pak was included in the **CDP Forests ‘A List’**. Additionally, the company received an **‘A-’ rating** in Water Security, despite it being the first year of reporting in this area.
- Actively implementing the **UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights**.

The full FY23 report can be found [here](#)

The Green Shelter project, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/ThaiGreenShelter/>

PRO Thailand Network, please visit <https://web.facebook.com/prothailandnetwork>

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<sup>7</sup> The non-fibre component of carton packages is known as polyAl, which designates the layers of polyethylene and aluminium being used as barrier against oxygen and humidity to protect the food content in aseptic carton packages.

<sup>8</sup> For the reported carton packages collected for recycling, we use, where available, official publicly available data from renowned sources, such as governmental agency, registered recovery organisation, nationwide industry association, NGO, etc., reported on a regular basis using a consistent approach.

## **ABOUT TETRA PAK**

Tetra Pak is a world leading food processing and packaging solutions company. Working with our customers and suppliers, we provide access to safe, nutritious food for hundreds of millions of people in more than 160 countries every day.

With over 24,000 employees worldwide, we commit to making food safe and available, everywhere, and we promise to protect what's good: food, people and the planet.

More information about Tetra Pak is available at [www.tetrapak.com/th](http://www.tetrapak.com/th).

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