

# Rod-Eye Pro and Classic



## User Manual

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This manual contains important Safety Directions (refer to chapter Safety directions) as well as instructions for setting up the product and operating it.

Read carefully through the User Manual before you switch on the instrument.

### The symbols used in the User Manual have the following meaning:



**DANGER:**

Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



**WARNING:**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation or an unintended use which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



**CAUTION:**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation or an unintended use which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury and / or appreciable material, financial and environmental damage.



Important paragraphs which must be adhered to in practice as they enable the product to be used in a technically correct and efficient manner.

### Product Identification

The instrument model and serial number of your product are indicated on the label on the base of the unit.

Enter the model and serial number in your manual and always refer to this information when you need to contact your agency or authorized service workshop.

Model-Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of purchase: \_\_\_\_\_

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# *Introduction*

The ROD-EYE Pro and Classic hand-held laser detectors are designed to receive reference elevation information from all rotating laser levels. The detectors are designed to receive invisible laser beams as well as visible beams from Helium-Neon and diode lasers.

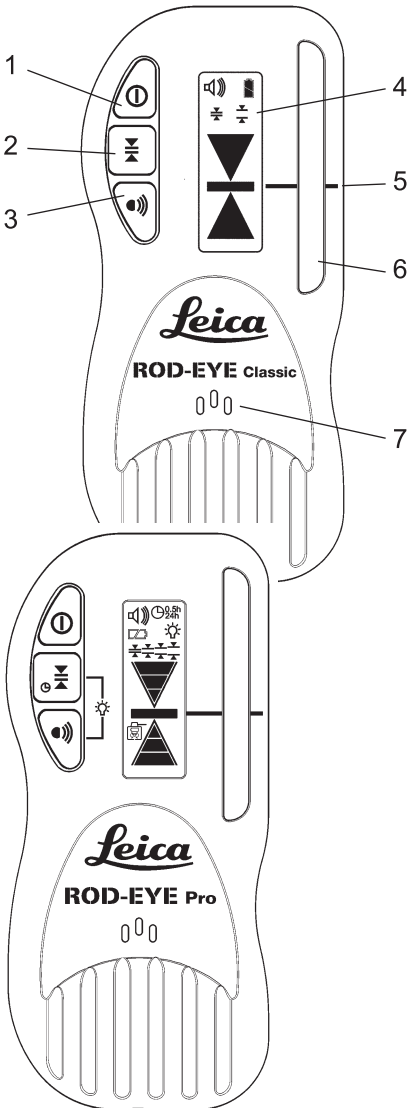
All models include a Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) on the front and rear for easy visual indication of the reference plane of laser light. A beeper also emits an audible tone that indicates on-grade, high or low. Accuracy levels are user selectable to meet various job requirements, including industrial applications.

The detectors have been specifically designed for use in harsh, loud construction environments. Impact resistant housings, recessed windows, waterproof design, durable battery contacts, and a high volume beeper are incorporated into every detector.

A general purpose clamp is designed to mount the detector on various grade rods and staffs. The clamp can be mounted to round, oval, square, and rectangular rods, as well as various sizes of wooden staffs.

# General Information

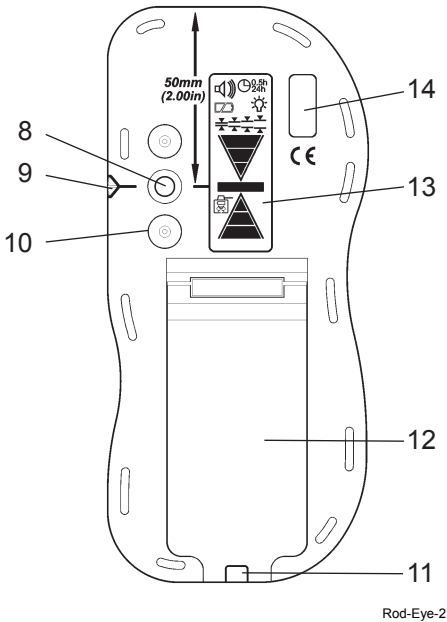
## Rod-Eye Pro and Classic Front View



- 1 Power Switch – Turns the detector on and off. Press once to turn the unit on. Press and hold the switch for 1.5 seconds to turn the unit off.
- 2 Accuracy Switch – Selects the detection accuracy. Pressing the switch will cycle the detector through four levels of accuracy.
- 3 Audio Switch – Selects the audio level. Pressing this switch will cycle the detector between off, low and loud levels. When the sound has been turned off, a single beep will indicate when the laser beam has been detected.
- 4 Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) – Front and rear LCD's indicate the detector's position relative to the laser beam and detector settings.
- 5 On-Grade Mark – This mark is aligned with the on-grade reading of the LCD. The top of the detector is 2" (50 mm) above this mark.
- 6 Laser Reception Window – The set of photocells located behind this window detect the laser signal. The window (photocells) must be directed towards the laser.
- 7 Audio Speaker – A fast beeping signal indicates that the detector is too high. A solid tone indicates that the detector is on-grade. And, a slow beeping signal indicates that the sensor is too low.

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## Rod-Eye Pro and Classic Rear View



- 8 Captive Screw Thread – This threaded hole accepts the rod clamp screw to secure the detector to the clamp.
- 9 Offset Notch – This notch is used for transferring reference marks. The notch is 2" (50 mm) below the top of the detector.
- 10 Clamp Guides – The guides are used to secure and align the detector on the rod clamp.
- 11 Battery Door Latch – The latch is located at the bottom of the detector. Use a coin to open and install or replace the batteries.
- 12 Battery Compartment – The compartment is watertight and holds two "AA" alkaline batteries. New batteries must be installed in the positions noted on the diagram found in the compartment.
- 13 Rear Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) – This display functions the same as the front LCD. (Rod-Eye Pro shown.)
- 14 Serial Number Label – Use as your reference should you have any questions regarding your detector.

## **Secondary Switch Functions (Rod-Eye Pro only)**



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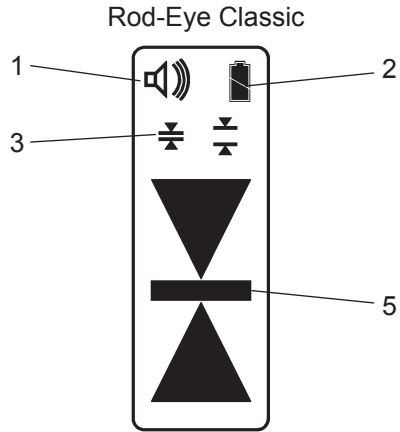
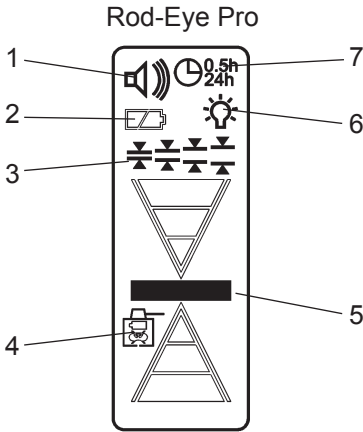
- 1 Power Switch – This switch functions also as a “shift” key. When the unit has been turned on, pressing and holding this switch will enable other switch functions.
- 2 Backlighting – Press both the Accuracy Switch and the Audio Switch at the same time to turn on the LCD backlighting. Pressing both again turns off the backlighting.
- 3 Automatic Shutoff – Press and hold the Power “Shift” Switch and press the Accuracy Switch to change the automatic shutoff time from 0.5 hours to 24 hours. The selection will be indicated by the clock and time symbols on the LCD.  
To completely disable the automatic shutoff, hold both switches for 1.5 seconds or until the unit beeps once and the clock and time symbols turn off on the LCD. Turning off the power will cause the automatic shutoff to return to 0.5 hours.

- 4 Industrial Bandwidths – Press and hold the Power “Shift” Switch, then press and hold the Audio Switch for 1.5 seconds to change from the four standard accuracy bands to three industrial bandwidth accuracies (see specifications). The unit will beep once and the accuracy band indicator on the LCD will continue to flash to indicate to the user that the detector is set for the industrial bandwidths. Press the Accuracy Switch to select the desired bandwidth. Turning off the power will cause the accuracy to revert to the standard accuracy bands.
- 5 Last Beam Strike Memory – Press and hold both the Accuracy Switch and the Audio Switch for 1.5 seconds to disable or enable this function.

### ***LCD Test Mode for Rod-Eye Pro and Classic***

With sensor off, press and hold all three switches simultaneously. The display will show each symbol individually. Press the Power Switch to exit the test mode.

# Rod-Eye Pro and Classic Display Functions



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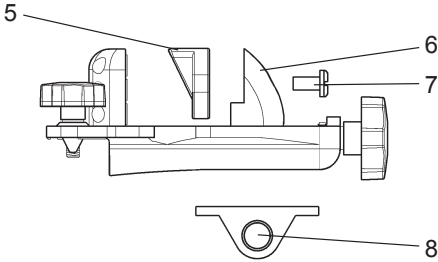
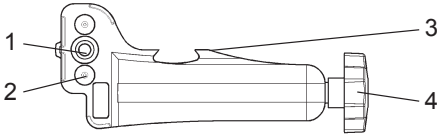
- 1 Audio Indicator – Indicates the level of volume set by the operator. The symbol disappears if the audio function is turned off.
- 2 Battery Indicator – Indicates that there may be up to two hours remaining when the battery symbol is empty. Fresh “AA” batteries will provide up to 70+ hours of battery life.
- 3 Accuracy Indicators – Pressing the Accuracy Switch will change the accuracy setting of the detector as indicated by the symbols on the display. See the specifications later in this manual for the bandwidth accuracies of the standard and industrial bandwidths. (Rod-Eye Pro only)
- 4 Laser Low Battery Warning – The symbol shown will appear if being used with a Rugby Laser and the laser is approaching a low battery condition. (Rod-Eye Pro only)
- 5 **Rod-Eye Pro:** Multi-channel Grade Indication – The center bar indicates an on-grade position. As the detector approaches the on-grade position, the arrows fill in to indicate the laser position. The “up” arrow indicates that the detector is below grade. The “down” arrow indicates that the detector is above grade.  
**Rod-Eye Classic:** Five-channel Grade Indication – The center bar indicates an on-grade position. As the detector approaches the on-grade position, the display shows the directional arrow, the arrow plus the center bar, then the center bar. The “up” arrow indicates that the detector is below grade. The “down” arrow indicates that the detector is above grade.
- 6 LCD Backlight Symbol – The light bulb symbol indicates that the LCD backlighting has been turned on. (Rod-Eye Pro only)



- 7 Automatic Shutoff Indicator – The clock and time indicate a 0.5 hour or 24 hour shutoff has been selected. If no symbol appears, the automatic shutoff has been disabled. (selectable on Rod-Eye Pro only)

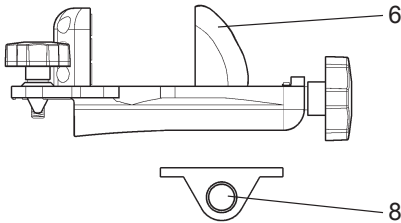
The Rod-Eye Classic shuts off automatically after 0.5 hours.

# Rod-Eye Pro Clamp



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Rod-Eye Pro Clamp with reversible jaw



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Rod-Eye Classic Clamp (no reversible jaw)

- 1 Captive Screw, Rod Clamp – Used to attach the detector to the clamp.
- 2 Alignment Points – The points are used to secure and align the detector to the rod clamp.
- 3 Reference Indicators – These points are aligned with the detector’s on-grade location for accurate grade rod readings.
- 4 Clamping Screw and Knob – Tightening this screw locks the clamp onto rods and staffs by moving the traveling jaw.
- 5 Reversible Jaw Face – The slanted face is used to tightly grip round and oval rods. Reverse the face to grip flat, rectangular and square rods.
- 6 Traveling Jaw – Move the jaw by tightening the Clamping Screw and Knob to lock onto rods and staffs.
- 7 Flathead Screw – This screw holds the Reversible Jaw Face in place.
- 8 Optional Bubble Vial Kit – The vial aids in keeping the grade rod plumb when taking readings.

# Technical Data

## Rod-Eye Pro and Classic

Working Radius:	1 meter - 300 meter (3 ft. - 1000 ft.)
	Laser dependent
Detection Height:	50 mm (2")
Reception Angle:	± 45°
Detectable Spectrum:	610 nm to 900 nm
Beeper Volumes:	High 110 dBA
	Low 90 dBA
Power Supply:	2 x 1.5 Volt "AA" batteries
Battery Life:	70+ hours
Weight:	280 g (10 oz.) without clamp
	450 g (16 oz.) with clamp
Dimensions:	163 x 74 x 30 mm without clamp
	(6.4" x 2.9" x 1.2")
Operating Temperature:	-20°C to 60°C (-4° F to +140° F)
Storage Temperature:	-40°C to 70°C (-40° F to +158° F)

## Rod-Eye Pro (only)

Detection Accuracy:	Standard Accuracy Bandwidth:
	Super Fine ±0.50 mm (±0.020")
	Fine ±1.00 mm (±0.040")
	Medium ±2.00 mm (±0.080")
	Coarse ±3.00 mm (±0.120")
	Industrial Accuracy Bandwidth:
	Zero Bandwidth ±0.000 mm (±0.0000")
	Fine Industrial ±0.064 mm (±0.0025")
	Coarse Industrial ±0.127 mm (±0.0050")
LCD Backlighting	Yes, front and rear
Automatic Shut Off	Selectable - 30 minutes, 24 hours, none
Memory, Last Beam Strike	yes
Laser Low Battery Warning	yes
Grade Display	Multi-channel arrow display
Warranty	36 months

# ***Rod-Eye Classic (only)***

Detection Accuracy:.....	Standard Accuracy Bandwidth		
	Fine	±1.00 mm	(±0.040")
	Coarse	±3.00 mm	(±0.120")
LCD Backlighting .....	no		
Automatic Shut Off.....	30 minutes		
Memory, Last Beam Strike .....	no		
Laser Low Battery Warning .....	no		
Grade Display .....	Five-channel arrow display		
Warranty .....	24 months		

# Warranty

Leica Geosystems AG ("Leica Geosystems") warrants to the original end user (Customer) that this Product will be free from defects in workmanship and materials under normal use, and provided any and all operating and maintenance instructions are strictly respected, in particular in case of extreme and/or continuous applications/use of the Product.

## **Warranty Period:**


Rod-Eye Pro: 36 months

Rod-Eye Classic: 24 months

For specific information regarding your warranty refer to the Leica Geosystems International Limited Warranty found on our website:

[www.leica-geosystems.com/  
internationalwarranty](http://www.leica-geosystems.com/internationalwarranty)

## Transport


 When dispatching the instrument, always use the complete original Leica Geosystems packaging (case and cardboard box).

When transporting the instrument in the field, always make sure that you:


- Either carry the instrument in its original transport case
- Or carry the tripod with its legs splayed across your shoulder, keeping the attached instrument upright.


Never carry the instrument loose in a road vehicle. It can be affected by shock and vibration. Always carry it in its case and secure it.

When transporting the instrument by rail, air or ship, always use the complete original packaging (case and cardboard box), or its equivalent, to protect it against shock and vibration.

 After transport, or after long periods of storage, inspect the field adjustment parameters given in this user manual before using the instrument.

## Storage

 Temperature Limits (-40° to 70°C / -40° to 158°F) Respect the temperature limits when storing the instrument, particularly in summer if the instrument is inside the vehicle.

 Damp instruments must be unpacked. Dry the instrument, the case and the accessories at not more than 40°C / 108°F and clean them. Do not repack until everything is completely dry.

## Cleaning and Drying Windows

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- Never touch the glass with your fingers.
- Use only a clean, soft, lint-free cloth for cleaning. If necessary, moisten the cloth with pure alcohol. Use no other liquids; these may attack the polymer components.

# Safety Directions

The following directions should enable the person responsible for the product, and the person who actually uses the equipment, to anticipate and avoid operational hazards. The person responsible for the product must ensure that all users understand these directions and adhere to them.

## ***Intended Use of Product***

### ***Permitted uses***

The product is intended for the following applications:

- Detecting a rotating laser beam.

### ***Adverse uses***

- Use of the product without instruction.
- Use outside of the intended limits.
- Disabling safety systems.
- Removal of hazard notices.
- Opening the product using tools (screwdriver, etc.), unless this is specifically permitted for certain functions.
- Modification or conversion of the product.
- Use after misappropriation.
- Use with accessories from other manufacturers without the prior express approval of Leica Geosystems.



### **WARNING:**

Adverse use can lead to injury, malfunction, and material damage. It is the task of the person responsible for the equipment to inform the user about hazards and how to counteract them. The product is not to be used until the user has been instructed how to work with it.

## ***Limits of Use***

### **Environment:**


Suitable for use in an atmosphere appropriate for permanent human habitation. Cannot be used in an aggressive or explosive environment. Refer to section “Technical Data.”

## ***Responsibilities***


**Responsibility for the manufacturer of the original equipment Leica Geosystems, Heerbrugg (hereinafter referred to as Leica Geosystems):**

Leica Geosystems is responsible for supplying the product, including the user manual and original accessories, in a completely-safe condition.

## Responsibilities of the manufacturers of non-Leica Geosystems accessories:

 The manufacturers of non-Leica Geosystems accessories for the product are responsible for developing, implementing and communicating safety concepts for their products, and are also responsible for the effectiveness of those safety concepts in combination with the Leica Geosystems product.

## Responsibilities of the person in charge of the equipment:


 **WARNING:** The person responsible for the equipment must ensure that it is used in accordance with the instructions. This person is also accountable for the training and the deployment of personnel who use the equipment and for the safety of the equipment in use.

## The person in charge of the product has the following duties:


- To understand the safety instructions on the product and the instructions in the user manual;
- To be familiar with local regulations relating to accident prevention;
- To inform Leica Geosystems immediately if the equipment becomes unsafe.

## Hazards of Use


### Main hazards of use

 **WARNING:** The absence of instruction, or the inadequate imparting of instruction, can lead to incorrect or adverse use, and can give rise to accidents with far-reaching human, material, financial, and environmental consequences.

**Precautions:** All users must follow the safety directions given by the manufacturer and the directions of the person responsible for the product.

 **CAUTION:** Watch out for erroneous measurements if the product has been dropped or has been misused, modified, stored for long periods or transported.

**Precautions:** Periodically carry out test measurements and perform the field adjustments indicated in the user manual, particularly after the product has been subjected to abnormal use before and after important measurements.

 **CAUTION:** If the accessories used with the equipment are not properly secured and the equipment is subjected to mechanical shock (i.e. blows, falling), the equipment may be damaged or people may sustain injury.



**Precautions:** When setting-up the equipment, make sure that the accessories (i.e. tripod, tribrach, connecting cables) are correctly adapted, fitted, secured, and locked in position. Avoid subjecting the equipment to mechanical shock.



**WARNING:**

If the product is improperly disposed of, the following can happen:

- If polymer parts are burnt, poisonous gases are produced which may impair health.
- If batteries are damaged or are heated strongly, they can explode and cause poisoning, burning, corrosion or environmental contamination.
- By disposing of the product irresponsibly you may enable unauthorized persons to use it in contravention of the regulations, exposing them-selves and third parties to the risk of severe injury and rendering the environment liable to contamination.
- Improper disposal of silicone oil may cause environmental contamination.

**Precautions:**



The product must not be disposed with household waste.

Dispose of the product appropriately in accordance with the national regulations in force in your country.

Always prevent access to the product by unauthorized personnel.

Product specific treatment and waste management information can be downloaded from the Leica Geosystems home page at <http://www.leica-geosystems.com/treatment> or received from your Leica Geosystems dealer.

## ***Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)***

The term "electromagnetic compatibility" is taken to mean the capability of the product to function smoothly in an environment where electromagnetic radiation and electrostatic discharges are present, and without causing electromagnetic disturbances to other equipment.



**WARNING:**

Electromagnetic radiation can cause disturbances in other equipment.

**Precautions:** Although the product meets the strict regulations and standards which are in force in this respect, Leica Geosystems cannot completely exclude the possibility that other equipment may be disturbed.



**CAUTION:**

There is a risk that disturbances may be caused in other equipment if the product is used in conjunction with accessories from other manufacturers, i.e. walkie-talkies, non-standard cables, external batteries.

**Precautions:** Use only the equipment and accessories recommended by Leica Geosystems. When combined with the product, they meet the strict requirements stipulated by the guidelines and standards.

**CAUTION:**

Disturbances caused by electromagnetic radiation can result in the tolerance limits for measurements being exceeded.

Although the product meets the strict regulations and standards which are in force in this connection, Leica Geosystems cannot completely exclude the possibility that the product may be disturbed by very intense electromagnetic radiation, i.e. near radio transmitters, walkie-talkies, diesel generators.

**Precautions:** Check the plausibility of results obtained under these conditions.

***FCC Statement (applicable in the U.S.)*****WARNING:**

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC rules.

These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.

However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation.

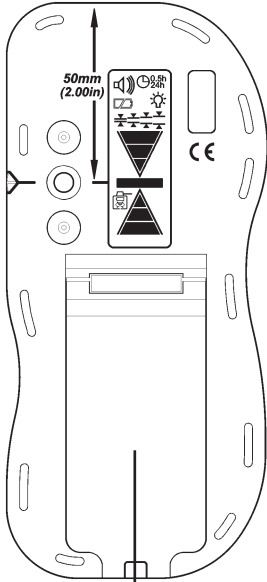
If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.
- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.

**WARNING:**

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by Leica Geosystems could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

# Labeling



AA	Art. No: 727160	<b>Leica</b> Geosystems
Power: 3V = nominal 50mA max.	Mfg. Date <b>06-00</b>	
AA	<p>This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.</p> <p><small>U.S. PAT. 5,488,850; 5,471,049; 5,343,033 Leica Geosystems GR LLC, 6330 28th St, Grand Rapids, MI 49548</small></p>	

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## Rod-Eye Pro

AA	Art. No: 740022	<b>Leica</b> Geosystems
Power: 3V = nominal 50mA max.	Mfg. Date <b>03-04</b>	
AA	<p>This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.</p> <p><small>U.S. PAT. 5,488,850; 5,471,049; 5,343,033 Leica Geosystems GR LLC, 6330 28th St, Grand Rapids, MI 49548</small></p>	

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## Rod-Eye Classic

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system which meets the  
International Standards of  
Quality Management and  
Quality Systems (ISO stan-  
dard 9001) and Environ-  
mental Management  
Systems  
(ISO standard 14001).



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Our commitment to total  
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