

WORD

FROM THE COMPANY OWNERS



This is a special year for the Sabará Group, as we will complete 65 years of history and, in a moment of reflection, we can see several situations of battles, achievements and joys. We are a family business that emerged from our father Ubirajara Sabará's hands, with the objective of distributing chemical products. Currently, we are diversified, firm and leaders in the markets in which we operate, in a continuous search for sustainable development that adds value not only to our main stakeholders – business partners and employees –, but also to society and our beloved and only planet.

In the last Sabará report, released in 2016, we mentioned the search for a composition that would allow the continuous growth and evolution of our activities. Today, in 2021, upon the launch of our 6th Sustainability Report, in spite of all the pandemic setbacks that we all had to go through, we can attest that the planning and efforts carried out have borne plenty of fruits in all of our business units.

Starting with **Sabará Químicos e Ingredientes**, with its innovative products and solutions for water treatment. The company acted promptly in helping civil society to combat the Covid-19 pandemic, including actions in partnership with our customers.

Concepta Ingredientes continues to connect socio-biodiversity to global consumers by offering ingredients that value our biodiversity. In this portfolio, we highlight from traditional dyes and sugars to its recently launched "Plant Based" line of healthy and innovative organic ingredients.

Our subsidiary **Beraca Ingredientes Naturais** has been doing great in terms of innovation by introducing, for instance, our Beracare CBA, a balanced Amazonian blend of fruit compounds, resins and nuts as a legal and safe alternative to cannabidiol oil, for cosmetic use.

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BioE, in turn, has also showed innovation and a pioneering spirit with the inauguration of our sodium chlorite plant in Santa Bárbara d'Oeste (SP), the only one of its kind in Latin America and thought to be 100% sustainable since its conception. Part of the resources for this great achievement was obtained with the first emission of Green Bonds in the Latin American chemical sector, in 2019.

We are proud to say that we are among the pioneers in working with sustainability inside Brazil. We have been signatories to the Global Compact of the United Nations (UN) since 2007, and we use these guidelines as an important lever in the search for the best standards and improvements in our sustainable agenda. For us, sustainability is a business assumption, not just a management approach.

For more than 20 years, we have faced the challenge of working with non-timber products from the Amazon biome, currently consolidating business in more than 40 countries. We value Brazilian biodiversity in the Concepta and Beraca portfolio. In the chemical business, we mainly serve water treatment activities, contributing to the provision of quality water both in the sanitation of municipalities and in industrial activities.

In 2020, we were also pioneers in the country by becoming the first Brazilian company to have science-based greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions targets, recognized by the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi). This means that our ambition to reduce 30% of our absolute GHG emissions by 2030 is scientifically aligned with the global purpose of avoiding the warming of the planet's average temperature by up to 2 °C.

Last but not least, we know that there is no perfection in the journey towards sustainability. The intention of this report is to share this path that we have taken in a transparent manner, to clearly point out the direction we are heading towards and to stress our mistakes, difficulties, successes and achievements. Our aim is to continuously be part of a virtuous global chain in favor of sustainable development, generating purpose and always seeking to deliver something more positive for our future generations.

We hope you enjoy your reading.

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