About this report

Welcome to the fourth corporate environmental report from Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. ('Royal Philips Electronics'). This report provides information on Philips' manufacturing activities and products around the world for the 2001 fiscal year, running from January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001.

Philips views this report as a valuable tool for maintaining a dialogue with a variety of interested parties, including shareholders, customers, governmental and non-governmental organizations, and, of course, Philips employees around the world who work daily to improve the Company's performance.

In compiling this report, Philips has followed relevant best practice standards and international guidelines, including the section on environmental reporting in the Global Reporting Initiative's (GRI) 'Sustainability Reporting Guidelines'.

Philips strives to improve the quality of its environmental reporting each year by, for example, refining the data collection and reporting structure. Readers are invited to support this process with their feedback. Please contact the Corporate Environmental and Energy Office, using the reply card in the back of this report.

