

Energy Saving Week at MM Kotkamills / MM Kotkamills granted ISO 50001:2018 certificate

Motiva (www.motiva.fi/en), a Finnish sustainable development company, provides the Finnish public sector, businesses, and consumers with information, solutions, and services that enable them to make more sustainable choices. One of Motiva's initiatives is the nationwide Energy Saving Week (www.energiensaastoviikko.fi/en), which has been organized yearly in October in Finland for nearly thirty years.

MM Kotkamills participated in Energy Saving Week from October 6th to 12th 2025, by providing its personnel with information about the mill's energy management processes and introducing the mill's energy savings potential. The mill's commitment to reducing specific energy consumption and reducing fossil carbon dioxide emissions — the main targets of the mill's energy management — were presented in information reviews that everyone could join online during the week.

MM Kotkamills was recently granted a certification proving that its energy management system complies with the ISO 50001:2018 standard, a significant achievement on the path to more efficient energy use. “Our established and well-defined processes help us achieve our shared objectives by promoting ongoing efficiency improvements and supporting efforts to reduce energy consumption, costs, and fossil carbon dioxide emissions. These structured methods assist us in harmonizing our operations, from decision-making about plant start-ups and shutdowns to minimizing equipment idling. We regularly measure key energy-related factors, determine how to sustain our current performance, and identify areas for future development and optimization. This includes setting specific targets, such as the energy consumed in euros per ton of finished product and reducing fossil carbon dioxide emissions.” says Marko Pekkola, Managing Director of MM Kotkamills.

However, the work is by no means complete. The mill's energy management team, which includes participants from all production and environmental departments, is constantly seeking new ways to save energy through continuous improvement. Measuring, analyzing, and evaluating energy performance are key to managing the daily energy balance.