Sustainable Procurement Policy

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INTRODUCTION

Rhodar Industrial Services Limited (Rhodar) recognises its responsibility to carry out its procurement activities in an environmentally and socially responsible manner. In accordance with our Corporate Procurement Strategy, we will strive to incorporate environmental and social considerations into our product and service selection process. We recognise that it is our responsibility to encourage our suppliers and subcontractors to minimise negative environmental and social impacts associated with the products and services they provide. We will also strive to ensure that local and smaller suppliers are not discriminated against in the procurement process and specifications.

WE SPECIFICALLY AIM TO

- Encourage all internal purchasers to review their consumption of goods and services in order to reduce usage where possible and develop business cases based on sustainable principles.
- Give preference to products and services that can be manufactured, used, and disposed of in an environmentally and socially responsible way.
- Ensure that sustainability criteria are included in specifications to suppliers.
- Ensure that sustainability criteria are used in the award of contracts.
- Consider whole life costs when assessing product suitability and in the award of contracts.
- Enhance employee awareness of relevant environmental and social effects of purchases through appropriate training exercises.
- Provide guidance and relevant product information to staff members to allow them to select sustainable products and services.
- Work with existing and potential suppliers to investigate and introduce environmentally friendly processes and products.
- Ensure that suppliers' environmental credentials are considered our Supplier Appraisal process.
- Ensure non-discrimination against local and smaller suppliers.

TO ALLOW US TO MEET OUR AIMS WE WILL:

- Develop clear objectives and tools, with all our stakeholders, to minimise the environmental and social effects associated with the products and services we purchase.
- Identify the mechanisms that we intend to use to incorporate environmental and social factors into our procurement process.
- Ensure we measure our progress in line with our Rhodar 2050 net zero commitment.

- Clearly specify the role that our purchasing agents will play in the identification and selection of sustainable products and services. Identify and implement necessary changes to the procurement process and specifications to ensure non-discrimination against local and smaller suppliers.

This policy will be revised and reviewed on an annual basis or as and when there are changes to legal requirements.

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