

## Sustainable Procurement

### **Emprowe Energy**

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### **1. Policy Statement**

Emprowe Energy "The Company" recognises that there is a responsibility to ensure that products, goods, services and works are ethical and sustainable when viable.

It is our policy to practice a continuous improvement approach to understanding and taking appropriate responsibility for any adverse environmental, social, and economic impacts of its purchasing. In doing so, The Company shall consider impacts on a life-cycle basis and prioritise actions according to: alignment with The Company's values, magnitude of impact, and compliance with any applicable regulations.

This Policy is adopted in order to align The Company's purchasing with its social equity, risk reduction, resource use reduction, values and goals related policies. In doing so, The Company seeks to harness the influence of its purchasing to support markets for, and increase accessibility to, more sustainable goods and services.

The Company accepts it has responsibility to reduce our impact. Reflecting the commitments set out in our Environmental Policy, we endeavour to embed sustainable and ethical practices by:

- Encourage our supply chain to comply with national and international standards on environmental and human rights matters.
- Take into account the environmental, social and whole life impacts during the assessment of the goods or services.
- Encourage our supply chain to consider the social and environmental impacts of their activities.
- Manage our supply chain to support The Company in achieving its carbon reduction targets.
- Ensure that any timber and timber products, including paper, are from certified sustainable sources such as Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) and Programme Endorsement Forest Certification (PEFC).

### **2. Key Principles**

Emprowe Energy endeavours to purchase goods and services from supply sources which maintain ethical and sustainable standards through-out their supply chains. Procurement decisions will be based on an appropriate balance between economic, social and sustainable factors.

In order to practice a continuous improvement approach to understanding and taking appropriate responsibility for reducing the adverse environmental, social, and economic impacts of its purchasing, this policy establishes the following implementations:

- The company will research goods and services to identify which products or services are being produced from certified sustainable sources. We will encourage the development of sustainability certification schemes to increase the range of products covered.
- Suppliers and Contractors are required to maintain the highest standards of integrity and professionalism in their business dealings and practices, adhere to the laws of the countries where they operate and manage their own procurement processes and procedures such that their suppliers and sub-contractors meet the same standards.

- Suppliers and contractors are required to inform The Company, at any time during a competitive process or following the award of a contract, of any concerns they, or any member of their supply chain have in applying this policy and, to the extent that is appropriate and relevant, encourage suppliers and contractors to keep records to demonstrate that their actions (and those of their supply chain) are fair and above reproach.
- The Company will provide appropriate support, guidance and training our staff and employees when engaging in procurement processes, and in particular tender evaluation, supplier relationship and contract management processes.
- We will where possible, source materials to proven ethical and sustainability standard certifications and chain of custody (for example, but not limited to ISO 14001, FSC, PEFC, EPD, BES6001, Declare.)

### 3. Sustainability Criteria

Our procurement process has sustainability criteria which includes:

- Ethical, fairness, inclusive and respect (FIR) attributes of the services we procure;
- Circular economy potential of a material or product through pre-cycling evaluation at specification, selection and procurement;
- Product source, manufacture, transportation, onsite and offsite working, and how materials are deconstructed, disassembled, recycled or disposed of;
- Product ingredients and chemical composition to ensure no unnecessary harm to those involved in manufacturing, installation, disassembly, recycling or disposal stages;

### 4. Procurement Actions

- We will reduce waste by reducing the quantity of goods and services procured and repairing or reusing existing goods;
- Manage and reduce carbon and other emissions associated with the procurement and supply of products and services;
- Procure goods and services locally, reducing transportation impacts, improving local economies
- Procure goods that contain recycled content, reducing carbon emissions, diverting waste from landfill.
- Procure durable and energy efficient products
- Procure products and services that are sustainably sourced and are not harmful to the environment or human health (in accordance with our Materials Schedule of desired, restricted and prohibitive materials)

### 5. Associated Documents

This policy should be read in conjunction with the Company Strategic Plan and its underlying principals, Financial Regulations, Procurement Strategy, Modern Slavery Policy & Procedure and other related policies and procedures.



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