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Future Food Supplier Code of Conduct

Purpose:

Future Food Americas, Inc. doing business as Future Food (also FF) has developed this **environmental purchasing policy** to encourage the purchase and use of materials, products, and services that incorporate environmental, social, community, and performance goals.

At Future Food, indeed, we believe that the way we do business is no less important than the results we achieve: in no case shall the fulfilment of company objectives overrides legal or ethical standards. For this reason, as formally stated in our **Supplier Code of Conduct**, all our counterparts can always expect from us:

- maximum respect to people, nature and environment;
- commitment to always perform to the best of our knowledge;
- openness to learn, to listen and to cooperate;
- moral rectitude and integrity;
- transparency and impartiality.

Scope:

The values we believe in can be fully respected only if they are shared with all our partners and stakeholders and fostered in our daily activities.

This is a common goal that FF would like to **make Suppliers fully aware** of by asking you to read and accept this Supplier Code of Conduct ("SCC" or "Code") and to strive to act in compliance with its provisions. The SCC is publicly available on our website and all suppliers are invited to read through it at the moment of beginning of our cooperation. Its provisions are expected to keep being integrated in the Supplier's practices for the whole length of its business relationship with FF. In case of temporary or permanent inability by part of the Supplier to fulfill the following commitments, FF expects **prompt notification of such inability** so as to be able to discuss possible ways to improve practices and advance together as a purpose-driven network.



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Preference will be given to suppliers that meet robust third-party **social and environmental certification criteria**. Where reasonable, all significant suppliers should meet one or more of the following standards:

- Certified B Corporation
- Certified California Green Business
- Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certified
- Energy Star Certified
- Fairtrade Label
- Rainforest Alliance
- UTZ Certification
- Organic Standard
- Bluesign Certification
- Carbonfree Certification
- CarbonNeutral product by Natural Capital Partners
- Carbon Neutral by Carbon Trust
- Carbon Neutral Certified by SCS Global Services
- Climate neutral by ClimatePartner
- Compact by Design
- Cradle to Cradle Certified
- ECOLOGO Certification
- ENERGY STAR Most Efficient
- EPEAT Products
- The Forest Stewardship Council
- Global Organic Textile Standard
- Global Recycled Standard
- Green Seal Certification
- Made in Green by Oeko-Tex
- Organic Content Standard 100
- Recycled Claim Standard 100
- Recycled Claim Standard Blended
- Other rigorous and independent third-party certifications will be considered on a case by case basis.

When price and quality are equal, preference will also be given to independent women, or minority-owned suppliers physically located within 150 miles of Future Food's offices.



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Future Food strongly recommends a **proactive approach towards innovative solutions and technologies** aimed at proposing continuously improved and lower environmental impact products and services, in order to reduce waste of natural resources and promote recycling and reuse.

Therefore, Future Food actively reduces its need for ongoing consumables. Remaining purchases are evaluated for sustainability, such as paper materials (business cards, printer paper, envelopes, files, etc.) **that should preferably meet one or more of the following criteria:**

- At least a significant percentage of post-consumer recycled material;
- At least a significant percentage of rapidly renewable materials;
- At least a significant percentage of materials harvested or extracted and processed within 500 miles;
- At least a significant percentage of FSC certified paper products.

In addition, Future Food must only procure necessary equipment. Of those necessities, Future Food must encourage the purchase of sustainable durable goods. These include:

- Environmentally sustainable, electric-powered equipment, including office;
- equipment, appliances, external power adapters, televisions, and other audio-visual equipment, must be ENERGY STAR certified, when feasible;
- Secondhand electronics and equipment will be purchased when possible;
- Environmentally preferable or secondhand furniture should be purchased, where feasible.

Goals:

Future Food should maintain sustainable purchasing that adheres to the criteria above for at least 50% of the total annual purchase of applicable ongoing consumable materials and durable goods, as deemed feasible.

Procedures and Strategies:

Future Food will strive to work with vendors to **identify environmentally preferable products** that meet the needs of the facility and operations.

Negative impacts on the environment and climate will be minimised or eliminated at their source by modification of institutional practices, maintenance and facility processes, material substitution, conservation, recycling and material reuse.



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Any activities that have a potential to adversely impact human or environmental health will be appropriately managed, measured, controlled and handled prior to the release of any substance into the environment.

Suppliers will engage in the development and use of climate and environment -friendly products.

Time Period:

This policy will remain in effect going forwards from May 26th 2021 until it will be modified or suppressed with a written document.