

South Carolina Green Purchasing Initiative

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SC Green Purchasing Initiative

Initiated in the fall of 2008 to....

***Develop and Engage a Green Purchasing
Policy for the State of South Carolina***



PARTICIPANTS

- South Carolina Department of Health & Environmental Control (SCDHEC)
- South Carolina Department of Commerce
- State Energy Office (SEO)
- Materials Management Office (MMO)
- Information Technology Management Office (ITMO)
- Office of State Engineer (OSE)
- State Agencies



OBJECTIVES

- *Define Environmentally Preferred Purchasing*



ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERRED PURCHASING

Environmentally Preferred Purchasing is the procurement of products and services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment over the life cycle of the products and services when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose.



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- *Define Environmentally Preferred Purchasing*
- *Identify desired environmental attributes*



ENVIRONMENTAL ATTRIBUTES

- Prevent pollution and waste
- Eliminate or reduce toxins
- Conserve energy and water
- Give preference to recycled-content material
- Reduce emissions



PERFORMANCE AND COST

This policy recognizes the need to improve green purchasing practices when practicable and cost effective without reducing the safety or performance of a product or service.



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- *Identify desired environmental attributes*
- *Balance environmental considerations with performance, cost and availability*
- *Educate and promote standards to purchasers*



SC Green Purchasing Initiative LOGO



**STATE OF SOUTH
CAROLINA
ENVIRONMENTALLY
PREFERRED
PURCHASING
POLICY**



STATEMENT OF POLICY

South Carolina state government seeks to further reduce the environmental and human health impacts of its operations by integrating environmental considerations into its procurement process.



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South Carolina state government is committed to environmentally preferred purchasing in recognition of the need to more efficiently use natural resources, reduce waste, save money, sustain markets for materials collected in recycling programs and protect South Carolina's environment, economy and the quality of life of all its citizens.



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- This Policy applies to all South Carolina state agencies and publicly funded colleges and universities and others defined as governmental bodies.
- Vendors, contractors and grantees will comply with applicable sections of this policy for products and services that are provided to the state of South Carolina.
- All purchases under this policy are subject to local, state or federal requirements as applicable.



STANDARDS

1. Source Reduction
2. Recycled-Content Products
3. Energy and Water Savings
4. Pollution Prevention and Toxics Reduction
5. Green Building Construction and Leasing
6. Green Landscaping
7. Green Travel and Meetings
8. End-of-Life Management



IMPLEMENTATION

- Materials Management Office (MMO) will oversee the statewide implementation of this policy.
- A Green Purchasing Initiative Workgroup is in place to help coordinate and implement the policy.
- Agencies are to provide a “Green Purchasing Initiative” contact to MMO.



PROMOTE!

- Rollout of Policy at the S.C. Resource Conservation Challenge Workshop -
Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at
Saluda Shoals Park

- www.mmo.sc.gov



**What Do You
Think?**

COMMENTS?

QUESTIONS?

