#### **VENDOR CODE OF CONDUCT**

Purchaser is committed to conducting its business in an ethical, legal and socially responsible manner. To encourage compliance with all legal requirements and ethical business practices, Purchaser has established this Vendor Code of Conduct (the "Code") for Purchaser's Vendors. For the purposes of this document, "Vendor" means any company, corporation or other entity that sells, or seeks to sell goods or services, to Purchaser, including the Vendor's employees, agents and other representatives.

Fundamental to adopting the Code is the understanding that a business, in all of its activities, must operate in full compliance with the laws, rules and regulations of the countries in which it operates. This Code encourages Vendors to go beyond legal compliance, drawing upon internationally recognized standards, in order to advance social and environmental responsibility.

# I. Labour and Human Rights

Vendors must uphold the human rights of workers, and treat them with dignity and respect as understood by the international community.

- Fair Treatment Vendors must be committed to a workplace free of harassment. Vendors shall not threaten workers with or subject them to harsh or inhumane treatment, including sexual harassment, sexual abuse, corporal punishment, mental coercion, physical coercion, verbal abuse or unreasonable restrictions on entering or exiting company provided facilities.
- Antidiscrimination Vendors shall not discriminate against any worker based on race, colour, age, gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity, disability, religion, political affiliation, union membership, national origin, or marital status in hiring and employment practices such as applications for employment, promotions, rewards, access to training, job assignments, wages, benefits, discipline, and termination. Vendors shall not require a pregnancy test or discriminate against pregnant workers except where required by applicable laws or regulations or prudent for workplace safety. In addition, Vendors shall not require workers or potential workers to undergo medical tests that could be used in a discriminatory way except where required by applicable law or regulation or prudent for workplace safety.
- Freely Chosen Employment Forced, bonded or indentured labour or involuntary prison labour is not to be used. All work will be voluntary, and workers should be free to leave upon reasonable notice. Workers shall not be required to hand over government-issued identification, passports or work permits as a condition of employment.
- Prevention of Under Age Labour Child labour is strictly prohibited. Vendors shall not employ children. The minimum age for employment or work shall be 15 years of age, the minimum age for employment in that country, or the age for completing compulsory education in that country, whichever is higher. This Code does not prohibit participation in legitimate workplace apprenticeship programs that are consistent with Article 6 of ILO Minimum Age Convention No. 138 or light work consistent with Article 7 of ILO Minimum Age Convention No. 138.
- Juvenile Labour Vendors may employ juveniles who are older than the applicable legal minimum age for employment but are younger than 18 years of age, provided they do not perform work likely to jeopardize their heath, safety, or morals, consistent with ILO Minimum Age Convention No. 138.
- Minimum Wages Compensation paid to workers shall comply with all applicable wage laws, including those relating to minimum wages, overtime hours and legally mandated benefits. Any disciplinary wage deductions are to conform to local law. The basis on which workers are being paid is to be clearly conveyed to them in a timely manner.
- Working Hours Studies of good manufacturing practices clearly link worker strain to reduced productivity, increased turnover and increased injury and illness. Work weeks are not to exceed the maximum set by local law. Further, a work week should not be more than 60 hours per week,

- including overtime, except in emergency or unusual situations. Workers should be allowed at least one day off per seven-day week.
- Freedom of Association Open communication and direct engagement between workers and
  management are the most effective ways to resolve workplace and compensation issues. Vendors
  are to respect the rights of workers to associate freely and to communicate openly with management
  regarding working conditions without fear of reprisal, intimidation or harassment. Workers' rights to
  join labour unions, seek representation and or join worker's councils in accordance with local laws
  should be acknowledged.

### II. Health and Safety

Vendors must recognize that in addition to minimizing the incidence of work-related injury and illness, a safe and healthy work environment enhances the quality of products and services, consistency of production and worker retention and morale. Vendors must also recognize that ongoing worker input and education is essential to identifying and solving health and safety issues in the workplace.

The health and safety standards are:

- Occupational Injury and Illness Procedures and systems are to be in place to prevent, manage, track and report occupational injury and illness, including provisions to: a) encourage worker reporting; b) classify and record injury and illness cases; c) provide necessary medical treatment; d) investigate cases and implement corrective actions to eliminate their causes; and e) facilitate return of workers to work.
- Emergency Preparedness Emergency situations and events are to be identified and assessed, and their impact minimized by implementing emergency plans and response procedures, including: emergency reporting, employee notification and evacuation procedures, worker training and drills, appropriate fire detection and suppression equipment, adequate exit facilities and recovery plans.
- Occupational Safety Worker exposure to potential safety hazards (e.g., electrical and other energy sources, fire, vehicles, and fall hazards) are to be controlled through proper design, engineering and administrative controls, preventative maintenance and safe work procedures (including lockout/tagout), and ongoing safety training. Where hazards cannot be adequately controlled by these means, workers are to be provided with appropriate, well-maintained, personal protective equipment. Workers shall not be disciplined for raising safety concerns.
- Machine Safeguarding Production and other machinery is to be evaluated for safety hazards.
   Physical guards, interlocks and barriers are to be provided and properly maintained where machinery presents an injury hazard to workers.
- Industrial Hygiene Worker exposure to chemical, biological and physical agents is to be identified, evaluated, and controlled. Engineering or administrative controls must be used to control overexposures. When hazards cannot be adequately controlled by such means, worker health is to be protected by appropriate personal protective equipment programs.
- Sanitation, Food, and Housing Workers are to be provided with ready access to clean toilet
  facilities, potable water and sanitary food preparation, storage, and eating facilities. Worker
  dormitories provided by the Participant or a labour agent are to be maintained clean and safe, and
  provided with appropriate emergency egress, hot water for bathing and showering, and adequate
  heat and ventilation and reasonable personal space along with reasonable entry and exit privileges.
- Physically Demanding Work Worker exposure to the hazards of physically demanding tasks, including manual material handling and heavy or repetitive lifting, prolonged standing and highly repetitive or forceful assembly tasks is to be identified, evaluated and controlled.

#### III. Environmental

Vendors should recognize that environmental responsibility is integral to producing world class products. In manufacturing operations, adverse effects on the environment and natural resources are to be minimized while safeguarding the health and safety of the public.

The environmental standards are:

- Product Content Restrictions Vendors are to adhere to applicable laws and regulations regarding
  prohibition or restriction of specific substances including labeling laws and regulations for recycling
  and disposal. In addition, Vendors are to adhere to all environmental requirements specified by
  Purchaser.
- Chemical and Hazardous Materials -Chemical and other materials posing a hazard if released to the
  environment are to be identified and managed to ensure their safe handling, movement, storage,
  recycling or reuse and disposal.
- Air Emissions Air emissions of volatile organic chemicals, aerosols, corrosives, particulates, ozone
  depleting chemicals and combustion by-products generated from operations are to be characterized,
  monitored, controlled and treated as required prior to discharge.
- Pollution Prevention and Resource Reduction -Waste of all types, including water and energy, are to be reduced or eliminated at the source or by practices such as modifying production, maintenance and facility processes, materials substitution, conservation, recycling and re-using materials.
- Wastewater and Solid Waste Wastewater and solid waste generated from operations, industrial
  processes and sanitation facilities are to be monitored, controlled and treated as required prior to
  discharge or disposal.
- Environmental Permits and Reporting All required environmental permits (e.g. discharge monitoring) and registrations are to be obtained, maintained and kept current and their operational and reporting requirements are to be followed.

### IV. Ethics

Vendors must be committed to the highest standards of ethical conduct when dealing with workers, Vendors, and customers.

- Corruption, Extortion, or Embezzlement Corruption, extortion, and embezzlement, in any form, are strictly prohibited. Vendors shall not engage in corruption, extortion or embezzlement in any form and violations of this prohibition may result in immediate termination as an Vendor and in legal action.
- Disclosure of Information Vendors must disclose information regarding its business activities, structure, financial situation, and performance in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and prevailing industry practices.
- No Improper Advantage Vendors shall not offer or accept bribes or other means of obtaining undue or improper advantage.
- Fair Business, Advertising, and Competition Vendors must uphold fair business standards in advertising, sales, and competition.
- Business Integrity The highest standards of integrity are to be expected in all business interactions.
   Participants shall prohibit any and all forms of corruption, extortion and embezzlement. Monitoring and enforcement procedures shall be implemented to ensure conformance.
- Community Engagement Vendors are encouraged to engage the community to help foster social
  and economic development and to contribute to the sustainability of the communities in which they
  operate.
- Protection of Intellectual Property Vendors must respect intellectual property rights; safeguard

customer information; and transfer of technology and know-how must be done in a manner that protects intellectual property rights.

## V. Management System

Vendors shall adopt or establish a management system whose scope is related to the content of this Code. The management system shall be designed to ensure (a) compliance with applicable laws, regulations and customer requirements related to the Vendors' operations and products; (b) conformance with this Code; and (c) identification and mitigation of operational risks related to this Code. It should also facilitate continual improvement.

The management system should contain the following elements:

- Company Commitment Corporate social and environmental responsibility statements affirming Vendor's commitment to compliance and continual improvement.
- Management Accountability and Responsibility Clearly identified company representative[s] responsible for ensuring implementation and periodic review of the status of the management systems.
- Legal and Customer Requirements Identification, monitoring and understanding of applicable laws, regulations and customer requirements.
- Risk Assessment and Risk Management Process to identify the environmental, health and safety
  and labour practice risks associated with Vendor's operations. Determination of the relative
  significance for each risk and implementation of appropriate procedural and physical controls to
  ensure regulatory compliance to control the identified risks.
- Performance Objectives with Implementation Plan and Measures Areas to be included in a risk
  assessment for health and safety are warehouse and storage facilities, plant/facilities support
  equipment, laboratories and test areas, sanitation facilities (bathrooms), kitchen/cafeteria and
  worker housing /dormitories. Written standards, performance objectives, targets and implementation
  plans including a periodic assessment of Vendor's performance against those objectives.
- Training Programs for training managers and workers to implement Vendor's policies, procedures and improvement objectives.
- Communication Process for communicating clear and accurate information about Vendor's performance, practices and expectations to workers, Vendors and customers.
- Worker Feedback and Participation Ongoing processes to assess employees' understanding of and obtain feedback on practices and conditions covered by this Code and to foster continuous improvement.
- Audits and Assessments Periodic self-evaluations to ensure conformity to legal and regulatory requirements, the content of the Code and customer contractual requirements related to social and environmental responsibility.
- Corrective Action Process Process for timely correction of deficiencies identified by internal or external assessments, inspections, investigations and reviews.
- Documentation and Records Creation of documents and records to ensure regulatory compliance and conformity to company requirements along with appropriate confidentiality to protect privacy.

The Code is modelled on and contains language from the Recognized standards such as International Labour Organization Standards (ILO), Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), United Nations Convention against Corruption, and the Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI) were used as references in preparing this Code and may be useful sources of additional information.