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Environmental Sustainability Policy

"It is essential to me as CEO that we operate in an environmentally sustainable way because we know it's the right thing to do – for society, the environment and our business.

Everyone at National Grid has a role to play in proactively supporting the environment in the way we work. We must also be honest and drive for better performance in the way we respond and learn when things don't go right".

John Pettigrew, Chief Executive



For details on the minimum performance requirements for National Grid employees to meet this policy, see our Environmental Sustainability BMS standard in the National Grid book

We take our responsibilities for Environmental Sustainability very seriously. As a minimum, we will meet our compliance obligations. However, we aspire to world class performance.

Scope

Our Environmental Sustainability Policy applies to you if you are employed by, or carry out work on behalf of any National Grid business.

We commit to

- Identifying our environmental risks, including climate change, and developing plans to mitigate them.
- Protecting the environment by ensuring prevention of pollution is a key consideration in the design of all our assets.
- Using resources more efficiently by using sustainable materials and reducing waste.
- Identifying opportunities to use alternatives to hazardous materials.
- Seeking ways to enhance the natural value of the areas we work for the benefit of local communities and the environment.
- Ensuring all our employees have the training, skills, knowledge and resources necessary to achieve the requirements of our internal standards.
- Setting expectations of those who work on our behalf to demonstrate the same commitment to the environment as we do and working with our supply chain to contribute to the delivery of 'Our Contribution' targets.
- Continually improving the Environmental Management System by reviewing and challenging our performance using feedback from stakeholders and benchmarking against our contemporaries.

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