AIS GREEN PROCUREMENT COMMITMENT AND POLICY

Green Procurement Commitment

In response to the escalating global concerns about climate change, resource depletion, ecosystem degradation, and other environmental issues, AIS acknowledges the mounting pressure and expectations to mitigate the environmental impact of our business operations.

Our overarching objective is to foster a more sustainable society by advocating for global production practices that minimize the environmental footprint of products throughout their entire life cycle.

In pursuit of this goal, AIS is committed to practicing green procurement, which entails sourcing products and services that impose minimal environmental burdens. We prioritize suppliers who adopt responsible environmental practices, emphasizing the judicious use of materials, preservation of ecosystems, energy efficiency, enhanced durability, resource conservation, ease of recycling, disassembly, and proper disposal.

Mission of green procurement

AIS firmly recognizes the urgent need to protect and preserve the Earth's environment, considering it one of the most significant challenges confronting humankind. To contribute to this cause, AIS endeavors to support environmentally friendly products.

Therefore, our green procurement mission encompasses the following objectives:

- 1. Reduce the utilization of hazardous substances.
- 2. Conserve Earth's resources.
- 3. Minimize transportation and packaging.
- 4. Promote transparency by disclosing relevant information.

AIS Green procurement policy

Introduction

The issue of global warming has far-reaching implications for the environment, society, trade, and industries dependent on energy consumption and waste production. Recognizing the urgent need for social and environmental responsibility, many organizations are embracing sustainable practices and striving to become **Green Organizations**. These entities prioritize conservational and eco-friendly policies, fostering a culture of responsibility towards society and the environment. AIS is committed to sustainable business practices, including green procurement, to address these concerns and meet customer demands for environmentally friendly products.

The Role of Procurement in a Green Organization

Procurement plays a vital role in establishing a Green Supply Chain, allowing organizations to make conscious choices that promote social responsibility. AIS encourages its stakeholders and vendors to embrace **Green Procurement** principles and practices, emphasizing the importance of responsible sourcing and vendor selection.

Green Procurement Policies

AIS has implemented a comprehensive Green Procurement policy to reduce resource usage, minimize waste, and eliminate hazardous chemicals, including those that contribute to greenhouse gas emissions. The company supports all internal agencies in understanding and complying with Green Procurement regulations and rules.

Key approaches include:

- 1. Promote the adoption of the 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) principles within the organization to enhance resource efficiency.
- 2. Avoid purchasing single-use products and consider the use of reusable components/packaging that can be utilized again.
- 3. Procure energy-efficient products and services that are durable and have longer lifespans.
- 4. Procure products that utilize clean technology and clean fuels to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- 5. Procure products and services that contribute to a decrease in water consumption.
- 6. Procure products and services that do not release harmful substances or pollutants during installation or use.
- 7. Procure products and services that result in reduced production of hazardous substances during disposal.
- 8. Procure products and services that prevent pollution and ensure sustainable waste management.
- 9. Promote awareness of biodiversity protection, forest conservation, and soil preservation.

Cooperation with AIS Business Partners

AIS actively collaborates with partners to promote environmental protection initiatives and encourages suppliers to align with sustainable practices. Environmental criteria have been incorporated into bid requirements, accompanied by a Green Purchasing Guideline that mandates suppliers to engage in socially responsible business practices and avoid actions that harm the environment or communities. The guideline outlines the following conditions:

- 1. Suppliers must possess ISO 14001 certification for relevant products/services.
- 2. Environmental management practices must be implemented for all products supplied to AIS.
- 3. Manufacturers or service providers must engage in various environmental activities.
- 4. Suppliers must reduce carbon dioxide emissions and packaging waste during product transportation.