1. Purpose
	1. TLC Ingredients is committed to conducting its business operations in an environmentally and socially responsible manner.
	2. This Sustainable Procurement Policy outlines our commitment to integrating sustainability into our procurement processes.
	3. By adhering to this policy, we aim to minimize negative environmental and social impacts while promoting ethical practices throughout our supply chain.
2. Scope
	1. This policy applies to all procurement activities undertaken by TLC Ingredients and extends to our employees, suppliers, contractors, and partners.
	2. It covers the entire procurement lifecycle, from sourcing and selection to contract management and ongoing supplier relationships.
3. Responsibility
	1. The President of TLC Ingredients is responsible for establishing and maintaining this policy.
4. TLC Ingredients Policy
	1. TLC Ingredients adheres to the following Sustainable Procurement Principles in its procurement processes:
		1. Environmental Responsibility:
			1. Preference for products and services with lower environmental impact.
			2. Selection of suppliers with strong environmental performance and certifications.
		2. Social Responsibility:
			1. Respect for human rights, labor standards, and ethical business practices.
			2. Inclusion of diversity and equal opportunity considerations in supplier selection.
		3. Economic Viability:
			1. Support for local economies and small businesses.
			2. Fair and transparent procurement practices.
		4. Innovation and Continuous Improvement:
			1. Encouragement of suppliers to adopt sustainable practices and technologies.
			2. This policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure its ongoing relevance and effectiveness.
		5. TLC Ingredients will assess potential suppliers based on their sustainability performance, considering environmental, social, and ethical criteria.
			1. CSR Code of Conduct
			2. Suppliers are expected to comply with applicable laws and regulations and demonstrate a commitment to sustainability.
	2. TLC Ingredients will engage with suppliers, stakeholders, and industry partners to share best practices, promote sustainability, and work collaboratively to address challenges within the supply chain.
	3. TLC Ingredients will provide training and resources to employees involved in the procurement process to enhance their awareness and understanding of sustainable procurement principles and practices.
	4. TLC Ingredients will establish mechanisms for monitoring and reporting on the implementation of this Sustainable Procurement Policy. Regular assessments will be conducted to ensure compliance and identify opportunities for improvement.
	5. Non-Compliance Consequences: Non-compliance with this policy may result in corrective actions, termination of contracts, or the reevaluation of supplier relationships, as deemed appropriate by TLC Ingredients.
5. Associated Documents:
* TLC Corporate Social Responsibility Program (RD-006-01-XX)
* RD Code VI: Sustainability (RD-006-XX)
* Training …….
1. Reference Documents:
* EcoVadis “Developing a Sustainable Procurement Policy”
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