Information

Green Purchasing

Number

PUR - 20.00

Applicability

This policy applies to University Administrators, Faculty, and Staff.

Administrative Authority

Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Responsible Unit

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History

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Categories

Reason for Policy:

The goal of this policy is to reduce the adverse environmental impact of our purchasing decisions by buying goods and services from manufacturers and vendors who share our commitment to the environment. Green purchasing is the method wherein environmental and social considerations are taken with equal weight to the price, availability and performance criteria that colleges and universities use to make purchasing decisions.

Green Purchasing is also known as "environmentally preferred purchasing (EPP), green procurement, affirmative procurement, eco-procurement, and environmentally responsible purchasing." Green Purchasing minimizes negative environmental and social effects through the use of environmentally friendly products.

Green Purchasing attempts to identify and reduce environmental impact and to maximize resource efficiency.

Statement:

The University of Louisville is committed to the stewardship of the environment and to reducing the University's dependence on non-renewable energy. These Green Purchasing policies and procedures support the University's commitment to sustainability.

Related Information:

http://louisville.edu/sustainability/operations/green-purchasing/#uofl-green-purchasing-policies

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