



ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE POLICY

TOPIC: Environmental Policy

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POLICY APPLICATION: Employees of SDG&E

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PURPOSE

Environmental excellence means being a responsible steward of the earth's natural resources and conserving plant and animal species along with their natural habitats. SDG&E is a responsible steward by conducting our activities in a way that protects the wellbeing of our employees, the public, and the environment, and promotes sustainable energy production to meet the needs of the present without impacting the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

POLICY

Energy Efficiency & Air Quality /Climate Change

Energy efficiency is a fundamental element in the progress toward a sustainable energy future. SDG&E recognizes that meeting customer energy needs requires diversification of energy sources along with efficiency both in production and use of all energy resources. SDG&E is determined to produce cleaner energy and assist our customers in consuming less of it. We will continue to focus on delivering a reliable energy supply that is competitively priced and uses a low-carbon model that includes natural gas, energy efficiency, renewable power, and innovative technologies while reducing the emission of greenhouse gases that contribute to climate change.

Biodiversity & Natural Resources

San Diego has more biodiversity than any other county in North America, and along with the rest of California is among the top ten biodiversity regions on earth. SDG&E recognizes the overall challenge of environmental sustainability is the protection of biodiversity and natural resources. SDG&E is committed to conducting its operations in a way that promotes the maintenance of our regional biodiversity and the habitat upon which it depends through a coordinated and comprehensive program of avoidance, minimization and /or mitigation of impacts. SDG&E is further committed to reducing freshwater consumption and preserving water quality through the design and operation of our facilities.

Lifecycle of Operations and Other Business Activities

SDG&E is committed to preventing pollution throughout the life cycle of our operations and business activities by improving our environmental management systems. This includes "greening" procurement practices, maintaining control over the chemical substances and materials used, reducing, substituting, and eliminating substances that have potentially significant impacts, and maximizing the recycling of wastes and byproducts.

RECORDS RETENTION GUIDANCE

For guidance as to the appropriate retention period for records related to this policy, please refer to the Standard Records Series in the [Records Management](#) intranet and the [Records Management and Retention Policy](#).



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POLICY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

Discuss questions or concerns about this policy with your immediate supervisor or the contact personnel below.

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1. Scott Pearson, Director – Environmental Services	SPearson@semprautilities.com	858-654-3580
2. Responsible Officer, Vice President – Environmental & Support Services		

ETHICAL QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

Questions or concerns regarding ethical practices should be directed to [Business Conduct](#) or the Ethics & Compliance Helpline at (800) 241-5689; or 001-770-582-5249 for employees outside the U.S. The Ethics & Compliance Helpline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. All calls to the Ethics & Compliance Helpline may be treated confidentially.