

This document sets out SEEPCO's global sustainability guidelines for procuring renewable components and feedstocks by companies under SEEPCO operational control.






## Overview

As a global biofuels supplier and as part of our commitment to contribute to sustainable development, SEEPCO is working to ensure that the biocomponents and bio-feedstock (from here on simply referred to as biocomponents) we purchase, for processing and blending into fuels and use in other areas of our business, are produced in a more sustainable way. In addition to closely understanding their emissions, we want to ensure other environmental impacts from their production are well managed (such as impacts on land use, biodiversity, soil, air and water), and that there are positive social impacts for local communities and others involved in the production process, and any adverse human rights impacts are avoided.

The following position articulates the key components of our approach, which reflects the requirements of SEEPCO's General Business Principles. SEEPCO will continuously review and update our position on the sustainable sourcing of biocomponents as appropriate.

## SEEPCO's position on sustainable sourcing of biocomponents

SEEPCO does not source renewable components or feedstock that have been associated with a violation of human rights, animal care and welfare principles and / or clearing of areas with high carbon stock or of high biodiversity value. Examples of the types of sustainability risks that SEEPCO assesses when considering using a particular feedstock include:

<b>AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES</b> 	<b>WATER QUALITY</b> 	<b>WORKER'S RIGHTS</b> 	<b>PESTICIDE USE</b> 	<b>FOOD SECURITY</b> 
<b>BIODIVERSITY LOSS</b> 	<b>SOIL QUALITY</b> 	<b>DEFORESTATION</b> 	<b>LAND GRABBING</b> 	<b>CHILD LABOUR</b> 
<b>GHG FOOTPRINT</b> 	<b>INDIRECT LAND USE CHANGE</b> 	<b>ANIMAL WELFARE</b> 	<b>WASTE DISPLACEMENT (&amp; FRAUD)</b> 	<b>WATER USE</b> 

Working with suppliers and partners:

- SEEPCO's purchasing position applies to all suppliers of biocomponents or feedstock across our entire value chain.
- SEEPCO incorporates sustainability clauses into supply contracts, providing a base level of assurance for all feedstock regardless of origin or voluntary sustainability standard certification.
- These requests that:
  - Biocomponents are not knowingly linked to the violation of human rights.
  - Biocomponents have not knowingly been cultivated in areas of high biodiversity value.
  - Biocomponents have not knowingly been cultivated in areas of peatland, regardless of depth.
  - Biocomponent production has not involved the use of open burning techniques for land preparation, conversion or clearing.
  - Biocomponent production from woody biomass has only originated from eligible wastes and residues and follows strict sustainability criteria.
  - Biocomponent production has not contravened relevant animal welfare laws or good animal care practices.
- Suppliers become members of the relevant international body/voluntary certification scheme working on sustainability standards for their feedstock.

SEPCO continuously works with suppliers to create awareness of sustainable sourcing practices, to work towards a more sustainable supply chain.

SEPCO engages suppliers to review progress on a regular basis and, under our contract clauses, reserves the right to conduct independent audits and to terminate contracts in the event of failure to meet our expectations.

There may be countries or regions where the use of specific biocomponents is mandated despite the lack of a certified product, and these constraints may limit SEPCO's ability to procure sustainable biocomponents.

Despite these constraints, SEPCO continues to work through multi-stakeholder initiatives, with suppliers and with industry to address these challenges.