



ECOM Environmental Policy

Our commitment is to improve our environmental performance where ever possible, as this contributes positively to our business. A minimum is compliance with all local regulatory guidelines and requirements but in most cases it is expected that our practices will exceed such requirements. Operations are to maintain emergency response plans suited to the business and in new project incorporate all local environmental impact issues in planning.

ECOM commits to:

- Efficient use of natural resources as an important cornerstone of our environmental policy management
- The responsible use of water and energy resources and maintenance of air quality
- Proper recycling or disposal of waste
- Promotion of the effective use of resources through ongoing monitoring and training
- Supporting producers to manage their farms environmentally and productively

Working with producers to improve practices to limit problems related to pesticides and deforestation.

Compliance is focused, but not limited to the following areas:

Pollution Prevention, Resource Conservation and Energy Efficiency

ECOM will avoid the release of pollutants or, when avoidance is not feasible, minimize or control the intensity or load of their release to within acceptable standards.

Wastes

ECOM will avoid or minimize the generation of hazardous and non-hazardous waste materials as far as practicable. Where waste generation cannot be avoided but has been minimized, ECOM will recover and reuse waste where possible. ECOM will treat, destroy, and dispose wastes in an environmentally sound manner.

Environmentally Hazardous Materials

ECOM will avoid using or handling these materials whenever possible. Where chemicals are on global lists for prohibition or phase out ECOM will comply with such programs.

Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

Purpose:

The purpose of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is to control the ingress of pests into storage areas and limit the use of harmful fumigants and pesticides in the environment by using a range of integrated pest control strategies.



Pest/Fumigation Management:

ECOM strives to use the minimal amount of fumigants or pesticides in all of our operations, complying fully with local regulations. ECOM will not use methyl bromide in storage: for shipments usage will be minimized.

Monitoring and Evaluation:

In all warehouse and processing locations where ECOM operates, an annual review is circulated and must be completed each year. Information on pesticides and fumigants is an added section, including identification of local regulatory considerations.