



## Overview

The Electric Utility Industry Sustainable Supply Chain Alliance was formed to promote environmental stewardship and provide value to customers and shareholders. Focusing on non-fuel suppliers, the Alliance's goal is to work with industry suppliers and other interested parties to improve environmental performance and advance sustainable business practices.

## Mission

It is the mission of the Alliance to work together with stakeholders to develop voluntary consensus standards for the creation of a supply chain that is environmentally responsible, efficient, cost effective, and positively impacts communities. We intend to:

- ♻️ Minimize the lifecycle impacts on the environment of our supply-chain operations and the products and services we source.
- ♻️ Continue to emphasize supplier diversity, protect the health and safety of our employees, and contribute to the well being of the communities that we serve.
- ♻️ Utilize lifecycle economics and efficient supply chain operations while ensuring the reliable delivery of products and services.



## Goals

The Alliance plans to address Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions through:

- ♻️ Energy consumption reduction (a key driver of GHG emissions) in Member Utilities' supply chain operations.
- ♻️ Innovation of products and services sourced by electric utilities; and,
- ♻️ Education and encouragement of our suppliers to reduce their GHG emissions.

# Electric Utilities Seeking Supplier Engagement for a Pilot Program

The Electric Utility Industry Sustainable Supply Chain Alliance (EUISSCA) will be launching a program this spring to engage a pilot group of suppliers in developing greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction goals. Through the program, participating suppliers will learn about resources that are available for reducing GHG emissions, benefit from the experience of other companies who have established GHG emission reduction goals and have the opportunity to influence the Alliance's supplier outreach program.

The pilot is open to up to twenty suppliers and the Alliance is interested in both suppliers who have established GHG goals as well as those who have not yet inventoried their GHG emissions. The pilot will consist of a webinar in April and another in May, with the third and final event being a site evaluation sponsored by the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) Manufacturing Extension Program. If you think your firm would benefit from this pilot program, please contact Jane Male or Sara Scroggins at [alliance@swassn.com](mailto:alliance@swassn.com) for additional details. (Because this is a limited-offer pilot, EUISSCA reserves the right to limit the offer on a first-come, first-served basis).






## Electric Utilities Launch Supplier Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Program

The Electric Utility Industry Sustainable Supply Chain Alliance (EUISSCA) met with a group of government and non-government stakeholders on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in Washington, DC to review its strategic plan and goals for reducing supplier and supply chain operations GHG emissions. Representatives from the Department of Energy, the General Services Administration (GSA), the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), the US Environmental Protection Agency, the National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA), the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), the World Resources Institute (WRI) and the Alliance to Save Energy shared their experience on reducing GHG emissions and working with suppliers to address their GHG emissions.

Expectations for corporate environmental responsibility extend beyond operational boundaries into customers' use of products and upstream to suppliers and raw material sourcing. The WRI is in the process of promulgating GHG accounting standards for products and Scope 3 emissions, which address customer and supplier GHG emissions associated with products. The GSA, under Executive Order 13514 is developing federal procurement standards addressing supplier GHG emissions.

The EUISSCA has established a standard set of expectations for addressing its supplier GHG emissions and GHG emissions from its members' supply chain operations.

The key benefits to addressing GHG emissions for suppliers and utility companies:

-  **Innovation:** Taking the initiative to voluntarily reduce GHG emissions from operations has been demonstrated to be a catalyst for driving process/product innovation. Based on the operational cost savings and process efficiency gains that companies have realized from energy efficiency improvements, reducing material use and waste, utilizing more efficient transportation logistics and other opportunities, they have improved their bottom line while reducing their carbon footprint.
-  **Competitive Advantage:** By learning from companies who have established GHG management programs and emission reduction goals and through access to available private sector and government resources, companies can build an organizational competency for effectively and efficiently tracking and reducing GHG emissions in advance of emerging procurement standards.
-  **Market Differentiation:** Leading companies seek like-minded business partners. Companies who are focused on reducing their product's carbon footprint can benefit from suppliers who have taken the initiative to address their own GHG emissions and differentiate themselves from other suppliers.