# Environmental Policy

**ecomaine** recognizes and accepts its responsibility for the environment as an integral part of its services and operations as articulated in its Mission Statement:

"ecomaine provides comprehensive long-term solid waste solutions in a safe, environmentally responsible, economically sound manner, and is a leader in raising public awareness of sustainable waste management strategies"

**ecomaine** is committed to excellence and leadership in protecting the environment and will strive to achieve this objective through an effective Environmental Management System which adheres to the following principles:

### **Communication**

**ecomaine** will provide training and education to our employees to ensure that we can work safely, efficiently, and in an environmentally sound manner. **ecomaine** will communicate Maine's Waste Management Hierarchy (reduce, reuse, recycle, compost/anaerobic digestion, waste-to-energy, landfill) openly with employees, customers, and the public and will work openly with government, and regulatory agencies governing the company's environmental performance and improvement plans.

#### Compliance

It is **ecomaine**'s policy to fulfill its compliance obligations and manage all of its activities to meet or surpass the standards of all relevant environmental laws and regulations and other requirements to which **ecomaine** subscribes.

#### **Continuous Improvement**

**ecomaine** is committed to continual improvement to enhance environmental performance, establish measurable environmental improvement goals and targets and regularly audit environmental performance to ensure member communities, that **ecomaine** is operating at the highest environmental standard.

## Protection of the Environment

**ecomaine** will protect the environment by taking into account the impact of its environmental aspects when making decisions and implement pollution prevention throughout the organization.

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