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## ENERGY STAR CERTIFIED APPLIANCE/EQUIPMENT PURCHASING POLICY

## INTRODUCTION:

In April 2008 the President signed the American College & University Presidents Climate Commitment. In doing so, the University has committed to develop a comprehensive long range plan to reduce greenhouse gases over time. While the University is developing its long range plan, it has committed to undertake several tangible actions in the interim.

OBJECTIVE: One of the tangible actions is to adopt a procurement policy to purchase ENERGY STAR certified products for all appliances and equipment where this rating exists.

## **SCOPE**

This initiative applies to all University purchases of equipment/appliances where an ENERGY STAR rating exists, regardless of the method of purchase (bid process, Pcard process, etc).

The University requestors and buyers will be responsible for considering the environmental impact of the product and the availability of ENERGY STAR rated products.

If you have a need to purchase office equipment or appliances look for the ENERGY STAR label on these products before requisitioning or purchasing the product.

When soliciting information from a vendor, request that the vendor provide products that earn the ENERGY STAR rating and meet the ENERGY STAR specifications for energy efficiency.

ENERGY STAR is a joint program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy to help save money and protect the environment through energy efficient products and practices.

We encourage you to visit <a href="www.energystar.gov">www.energystar.gov</a> for additional product information.

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