

Environmental Management System Manual (HW - DOC - 01)

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Halifax Water Environmental Policy

Halifax Water considers protection of the environment and pollution prevention to be among its most important objectives. Executive management will ensure that facilities under its control will:

- 1. Commit to prevent air, water and land pollution by complying with relevant legal and other regulatory requirements.
- 2. Ensure that the environmental aspects of Halifax Water activities are identified and assessed by our Environmental Management System to minimize environmental impacts.
- 3. Fully consider environmental factors when making significant process changes.
- 4. Commit to continuous improvement through obtainable objectives and programs. Review and document a periodic basis.
- 5. Communicate the policy and other EMS information to customers and persons working for or on behalf of Halifax Water.
- 6. Be an environmentally responsible neighbor in the local community. Act promptly and responsibly in correcting incidents or conditions that endanger the environment, and inform those who may be affected.
- 7. Ensure that staff is competent, have received proper training, and have the means to respond to an environmental incident.
- 8. Seek opportunities to reduce chemical and energy consumption, and waste production through process optimization and capital upgrades.