## EAST LONDON INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ZONE (SOC) LTD

## **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**



The East London Industrial Development Zone (SOC) Ltd (ELIDZ) is a world class operator of a prestigious industrial complex where highly competitive organisations thrive on streamlined business benefits and stimulate regional economic growth. The ELIDZ aims to apply world-class environmental management practices within its Industrial Development Zone (IDZ), hence becoming the model for similar developments throughout Africa. The ELIDZ shall be developed and operated in a manner, which is economically, socially acceptable and sustainable. The ELIDZ recognizes that Environmental Management is an integral part of its overall business performance, as any failure in this area will negatively impact on the Organization, its employees, tenants, contractors and the public.

## The ELIDZ (SOC) Ltd is committed to striving for environmental best practice in all phases of development by:

- 1. Complying with all applicable environmental legislation, government policies and any other requirements that pertains to the ELIDZ;
- 2. Encouraging the participation of all interested and affected parties in all phases of development of the ELIDZ;
- 3. Monitoring all tenant activities within ELIDZ's jurisdiction that could have potential detrimental impacts on the environment;
- 4. Avoiding or limiting the disturbance of landforms, ecosystems and loss of biological diversity though all phases of development and operations;
- 5. Promote the responsible use of water, energy and other non-renewable natural resources where feasible;
- 6. Preventing pollution and waste where feasible;
- 7. Limiting potentially detrimental impacts of the ELIDZ activities on neighbouring communities;
- 8. Continual improvement of the Environmental Management System.

These objectives focus on the planning, design, development and operations phases of the ELIDZ.

In order to achieve the aforementioned objectives the ELIDZ will develop and maintain an Environmental Management System according to the principles contained in the globally recognized and adopted ISO 14001 Environmental Management System.

This policy will be communicated to all employees and contractors working for or on behalf of the ELIDZ.

Top Management take full responsibility for the Environmental responsibility of the ELIDZ and hereby assert that adherence to this Environmental Policy is mandatory to all employees, contractors and visitors within the ELIDZ. Top Management hereby further pledge on behalf of the ELIDZ to integrate Environmental considerations into our decision-making processes.

The environmental policy will be reviewed periodically as the need arises to ensure it remains relevant and appropriate to the ELIDZ and will be distributed to the public on request.

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