

Sustainability Supply Chain Evaluation

The following generic questions can be used or customized to ask suppliers about the sustainability of their products, i.e., their products' environmental, social, and economic responsibility.

SUSTAINABILITY POLICIES, STANDARDS, & CERTIFICATIONS

- Does your company have a sustainability policy for what it purchases? If so, please share that with us.
- Does your company have a sustainability policy for what it manufactures? If so, please share that with us.
- Does your company have a sustainability standard for the ingredients used in your products?
- Does your product(s) meet environmental standards? If so, which standards for which products?
- Does your product(s) meet social responsibility standards/fair labor practices? If so, which standards for which products?
- Does your product(s) have a third-party certification? If so, which one(s)?

CONTENT SUSTAINABILITY & HEALTH

- Are any toxic or hazardous substances used or created in the manufacture of your product(s)? In the products themselves?
- Does your product(s) have health warnings?
- What percentage of your product has recycled content?
- Is the product packaging recyclable or compostable?

IMPACTS

- What environmental and/or social impacts does your product(s) cause during manufacturing and supplying?
- Is the energy used to create your product(s) renewable? If so, what percentage is the energy from renewable sources?
- How far does the source ingredients travel to your company? How far does the product(s) travel to your distributor?
- What greenhouse gas emissions are created during the manufacture and supply of your product(s)?
- Does your company offer products that are more environmentally and/or socially responsible than what we are currently provided? If so, please provide information on these.