

# ACC Policy on Environmental Justice

The American Chemistry Council supports the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. The chemical industry supports the incorporation of transparent, objective, fact and risk-based approaches into governmental decision-making and policies. ACC and its members believe in the fundamental value of working with communities to achieve shared objectives and to address key topics of concern to communities.

The members of the ACC are committed to safety and sustainability in the communities where we operate and in the products we manufacture. Through ACC's Responsible Care® program, ACC members continue to demonstrate their longstanding commitment to listen to and seek ways to respond to community concerns about chemicals and our operations. This includes a commitment to the Guiding Principles of Responsible Care for:

- Assessing, appropriately managing, and communicating product and process risks to stakeholders, including the communication of the availability of chemical safety information about our products and efforts to mitigate risks.
- Continued progress toward the goal of preventing accidents, injuries or harm to human health and the environment from products and operations, and to transparently report on our performance.
- A commitment to continual improvement in addressing environmental, health, safety and security performance.

## ACC is committed to Environmental Justice by:

- 1. Engaging with communities**, in and near where we operate, to encourage open dialogue and promote transparency.
- 2. Supporting the safety and sustainability of chemical industry operations** and continual improvement in health, safety, security and environmental performance through the Responsible Care program.
- 3. Supporting scientific research and approaches** to improve understanding of the relationships between exposure and adverse effects; chemical and non-chemical stressors and drive governmental decision making based on data and science.
- 4. Promoting data integrity** in the development and application of environmental monitoring information utilized to inform governmental decision-making.
- 5. Supporting Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Accessibility** through education, outreach and workforce development activities.