Environmental Policy Statement

Purpose
This policy provides the University of Missouri-Kansas City with a cohesive statement of direction to align each element of Environmental Sustainability and Compliance into a single framework of cooperation and commitment.

Vision
UMKC embraces safety responsibility, pollution prevention, regulatory compliance, the minimization of occupational risk, and a continual effort to improve environmental conditions while empowering its stakeholders to meet or exceed the Federal, State, and Local regulatory agency standards by promoting best practice model attitudes, inspiration, and achievement.

Policy
- **United Responsibility**
  UMKC administrators, employees and students will conduct daily operations in a manner that safeguards themselves, coworkers, and the University Community from immediate or latent harm.

- **Minimization of Waste Material and Energy Used**
  UMKC will minimize waste generation through sound principles of material reduction, reuse, and recycling. Each facility will foster operating procedures designed to prevent the release of hazardous substances that may cause harm to people or the environment. Each facility will respond to the challenge to reduce the waste energy usage in all forms of environmental expenditure. Each Facility will operate as efficiently as reasonable achievable.

- **Knowledge Based Approach**
  UMKC will encourage the University Community to be environmentally responsible by providing them with programs, drills, and training that incorporate aspects of learning and awareness. Periodic environmental, safety, and risk assessments will be performed at each facility identifying, prioritizing and recommending appropriate measures of improvement to management with impact review provided in a timely manner to responsible parties.

- **Commitment to Sustained Health and Safety Conditions**
  UMKC is committed to providing safe and healthful working conditions and to preserve our human resources through the promotion and execution of workplace safety, security, risk reduction and environmental advancement. This commitment is manifest by knowledgeable Faculty, Staff, and Students dedicated to practicing proper safety principles.