

Biodiversity Policy

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The Board of Directors of Avangrid, Inc. (“Avangrid”) oversees the management of Avangrid and its business with a view to enhance the long-term value of Avangrid. Avangrid is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Iberdrola, S.A. and a member of the group of companies controlled by Iberdrola, S.A. (the “Iberdrola Group”). The Board of Directors of Avangrid (the “Board of Directors”) has approved this *Biodiversity Policy* (this “Policy”) to assist in exercising its responsibilities to Avangrid and its stakeholders. This Policy is subject to periodic review and modification by the Board of Directors from time to time. This Policy and Avangrid’s certificate of incorporation, by-laws, corporate governance guidelines and other policies pertaining to corporate governance and regulatory compliance, risk, sustainable development, and social responsibility (collectively, the “Corporate Governance System”) form the framework of governance of Avangrid and its subsidiaries (collectively, the “Avangrid Group”). Avangrid’s Corporate Governance System is inspired by and based on a commitment to ethical principles, transparency and leadership in the application of best practices in good governance and is designed to be a working structure for principled actions, effective decision-making and appropriate monitoring of both compliance and performance. This Policy aligns with and further develops the principles contained in the *Biodiversity Policy*, the *Purpose and Values of the Iberdrola Group*, and the *Ethical and Basic Principles of Governance and Sustainability of the Iberdrola Group* approved by the Board of Directors of Iberdrola, S.A. from time to time. This Policy also supplements and further develops the *Policy on Management and Protection of Nature* approved by the Board of Directors from time to time.

1. Purpose

Avangrid is committed to sustainable development and respect for the environment and these important values guide our strategy and actions. Preserving ecosystems and biological diversity is an essential condition for sustainable development and for a sustainable energy model. Loss of biodiversity and ecosystem degradation is rapidly taking place, leading to serious environmental, economic and social risks. Avangrid recognizes the seriousness of these risks and the company’s responsibility, as a leading energy company, to take actions for biodiversity conservation that go beyond mitigation and damage containment strategies. The purpose of this Policy is to establish a framework for articulating Avangrid’s strategy and business model in a manner consistent with its commitment to protect and foster biodiversity such that it contributes to a nature-positive community. This Policy is aligned with the expectations of Avangrid’s Stakeholders, which are set forth in the 2022 Kunming-Montreal Global Diversity Framework targets.

2. Main Principles of Conduct

To support Avangrid’s commitment to biodiversity conservation, the Avangrid Group shall:

- a) integrate biodiversity protection into the strategy of the Avangrid Group including consideration and monitoring biodiversity impacts in strategic planning and operational decision-making including, without limitation, when developing, operating or decommissioning infrastructure projects;
- b) avoid or reduce deforestation associated with Avangrid Group activities and its supply chain;
- c) follow a preventive approach that minimizes the impacts of new infrastructure on biodiversity, and incorporate this preventive approach utilizing environmental assessments for new projects, particularly on those that affect protected or key biodiversity areas. The Avangrid Group will apply the principle of mitigation hierarchy (avoid, minimize, restore, and compensate as a last resort) in all phases of projects and, where appropriate, consult with experts and relevant stakeholder groups and follow best practices that minimize impact on biodiversity;

- d) evaluate projects to align with the “do no significant harm” to biodiversity requirement established by the European taxonomy;
- e) promote biodiversity offsets and natural capital restoration for impacts caused by the activities of the Avangrid Group;
- f) integrate biodiversity into Avangrid’s environmental management systems, as applicable, and establish biodiversity objectives and criteria to monitor the accomplishment of the objectives;
- g) protect species and habitats through positive conservation management with a particular focus on protecting the diversity and habitats of vulnerable wildlife species;
- h) release information on Avangrid’s biodiversity related actions and on the location of facilities in protected areas;
- i) raise awareness on biodiversity loss, biodiversity conservation, and the protection of and respect for animals among Avangrid’s employees and contractors;
- j) participate in research, preservation, conservation, educational and awareness programs and collaborate with governmental agencies, non-profit organizations, local communities, and other stakeholders on biodiversity issues including, without limitation, those relating to the fight against abandonment, violence, mistreatment, abuse and the illegal trafficking of animals;
- k) promote the application of traceability mechanisms and systems for the certification of compliance with sustainability criteria or standards regarding the products, components and raw materials that are directly or indirectly supplied to Avangrid, particularly those with potentially or actually significant relative impacts on biodiversity and ecosystems throughout the value chain;
- l) continue to develop due diligence processes for biodiversity-related incident, risk and opportunity management systems; and
- m) continue to identify actions and opportunities to address the impacts, dependencies and risks related to biodiversity in its direct activities and promote the identification thereof in the value chain, in collaboration with its Stakeholders, and taking into account that current value chains are configured globally and that not all their links have sufficient traceability mechanisms.

3. Implementation and Monitoring

For the implementation and monitoring of the provisions of this *Policy*, the Board of Directors is assisted by the Sustainability Division (or such division as assumes the powers thereof at any time), which shall establish a procedure for regular monitoring and reporting to the governance bodies and which shall act in coordination with the appropriate corporate areas at the Iberdrola Group, in accordance with the Iberdrola Group’s procedures for such purpose.