



# ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

2023

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As one of the companies generating electricity on the island, Jamaica Public Service Company Limited generates the energy that creates opportunities for improving the quality of life and supporting economic development in the communities we serve. Environmental management is a priority at JPS. We will comply with environmental regulations and behave as a responsible steward of the environment. We conduct our business in a manner contributing to sustainable development in the communities that we serve, ensuring that we meet the needs of the present generation without compromising the quality of life of future generations. Our commitments are:

## **Environmental Stewardship and Protection of the Environment**

by incorporating operational climate change strategies to help maintain the environment, including preventing pollution and pursuing energy fuel diversification and conservation strategies in our operations such as the incorporation of hydro and wind generated energy in our generation portfolio.

JPS has transitioned some generating units from heavy fuel oil to cleaner fuel natural gas while retiring older generation units and has made provision for the integration of renewable sources in the energy generation business. As the opportunities arise for new generation, we will pursue renewable sources. We will ensure that environmental issues and concerns are addressed in all our financing and investing activities by supporting environmental stewardship initiatives, where we can have a positive environmental impact.

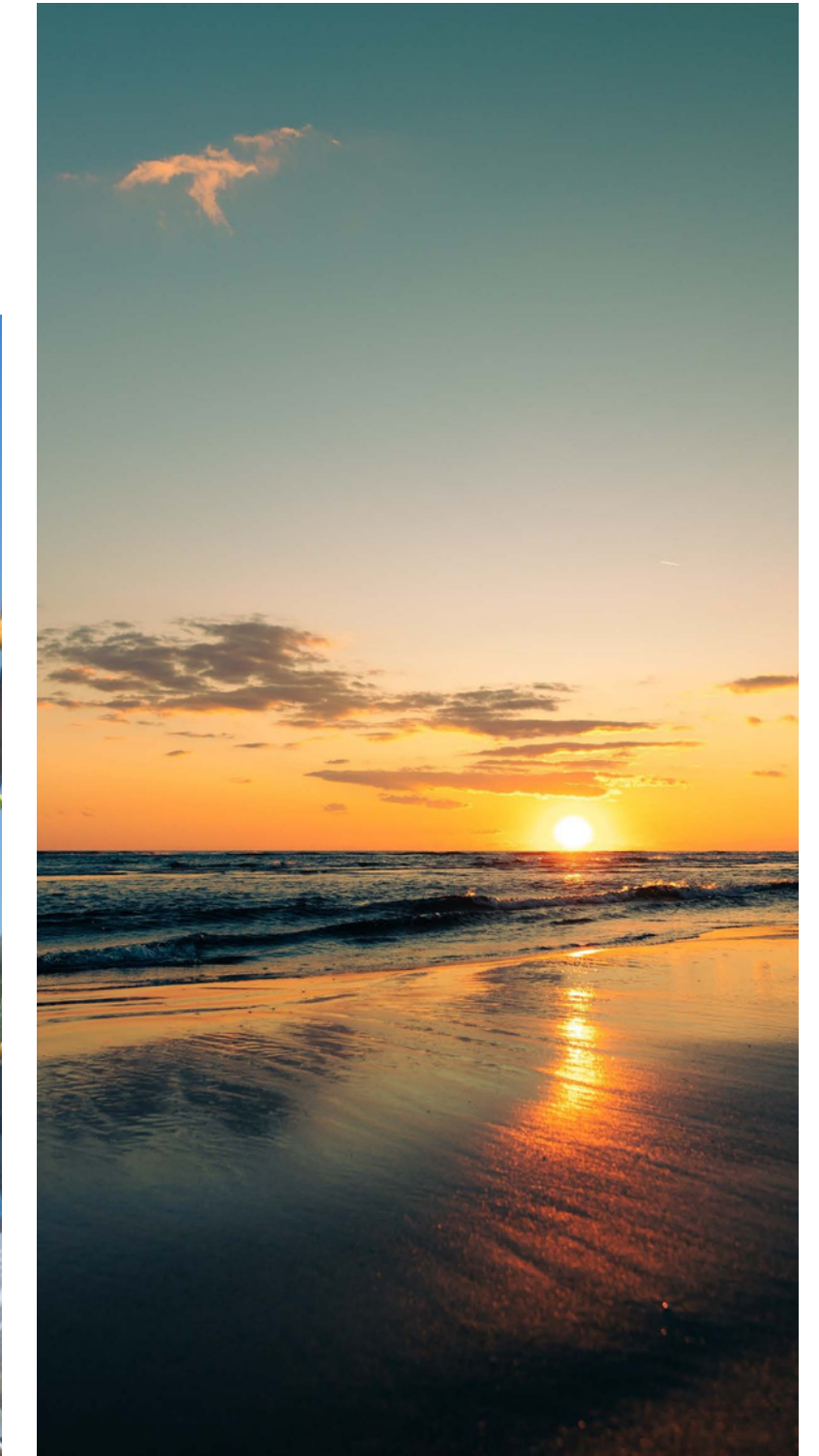




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**Board and Management Commitment** to provide the necessary resources to implement our Environmental Policy and support the continuous improvement in environmental performance in our business operations.

**Accountability** of our performance through environmental performance indicators, systematic compliance audits and self-assessments for all assets that we operate. JPS considers the environmental, health and safety performance of our suppliers/contractors and encourages the procurement of products and services that are environmentally friendly. JPS also incorporates environmental considerations and compliance in our overall procurement activities.



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**Continuous Improvement** of monitoring and assessing the environmental impact of our operations, and we are committed to measurable improvement in environmental performances. We seek opportunities to reduce emissions per kilowatt-hour by diversifying our fuel consumption and reduce depletion of natural resources through operational improvements of new and improved technologies that are consistent with operational and fiscal responsibilities. We will continue to use best practices, local regulations, international standards and conventions, such as IFC World Bank EHS Guidelines and the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, to enhance our Environmental Management programmes to ensure proper management of hazardous materials and waste in our operations, expansion projects and to afford opportunities to reduce and recycle waste.

**Employee Engagement and Transparency:** We urge and encourage every employee to take seriously our commitment to our environmental stewardship and to take ownership of, and responsibility for implementing our Environmental Policy. We educate our employees on our Environmental Policy, environmental requirements and performance. We encourage our employees to report any environmental problems, and we expect management to promptly address any reported problems.

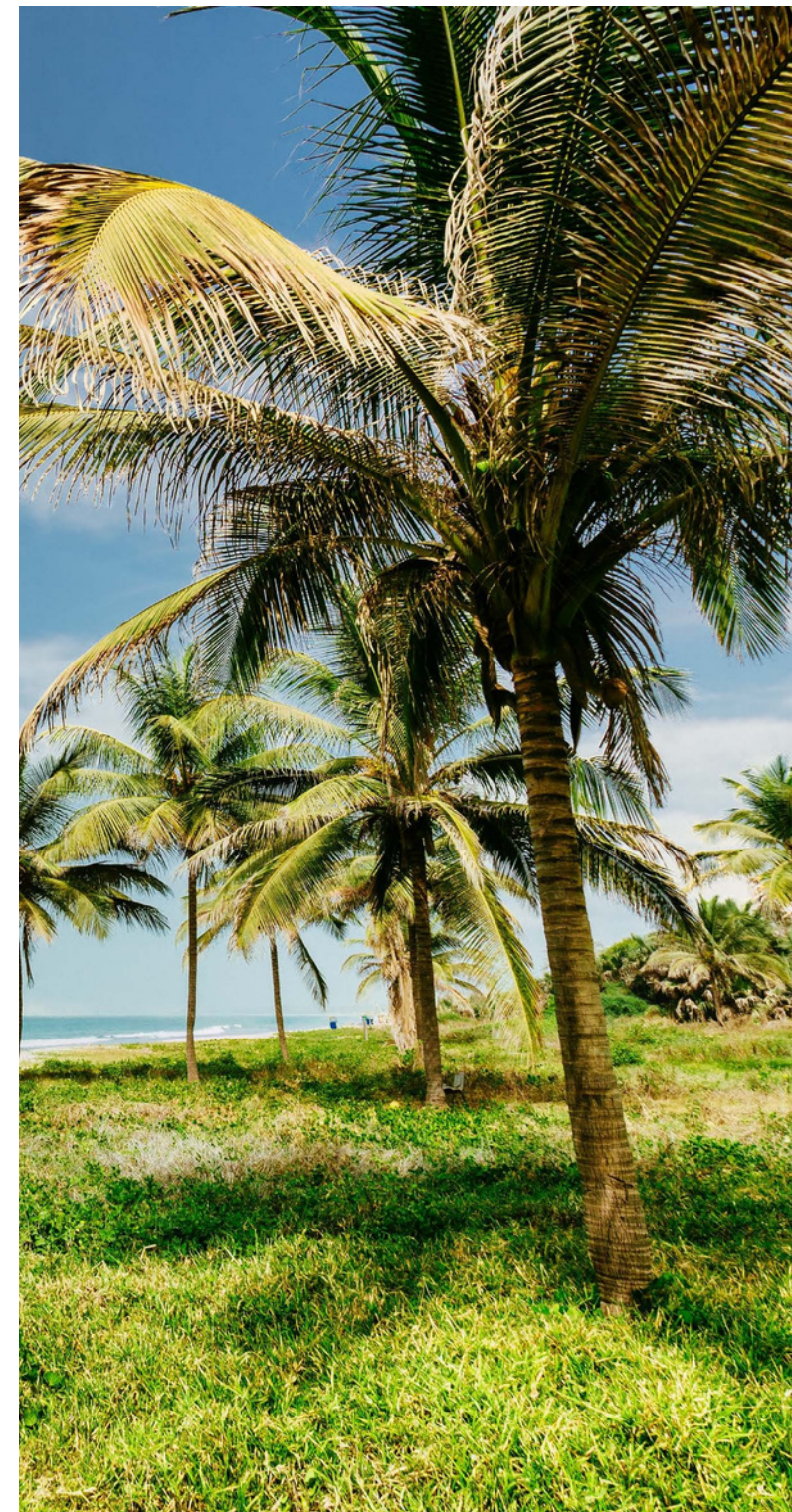




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**Public Policy and Transparency:** JPS seeks constructive engagement in legislative and regulatory processes to help ensure that environmental laws and regulations are balanced, effective, and based on sound science and proven technology.

**Environmental Compliance** in our operations. We will meet or exceed all applicable environmental laws and regulations. We will supplement local environmental regulations by implementing prudent business practices, to ensure environmental sustainability within our operations to minimise the environmental impacts. We will develop the appropriate Environmental Impact Assessments and acquire the requisite environmental approvals before undertaking new developments.





**Oversight**

The Senior Vice President with responsibility for the environment portfolio is responsible for both maintaining and implementing this policy and the Company’s Environmental Management System.

**Contact**

For questions regarding this policy or environmental initiatives at JPS, please contact Manager -Environment, Health and Safety – Ms. Azalee Lawson at: [AzLawson@jpsco.com](mailto:AzLawson@jpsco.com)





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