ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY POLICIES

As a responsible member of the community, GrocerDel is committed to minimizing its environmental impact and promoting sustainability across its operations. By adopting eco-friendly practices in sourcing, packaging, and distribution, GrocerDel contributes to a healthier planet while aligning with regulatory requirements and consumer expectations. This section outlines GrocerDel's environmental policies, detailing sustainable sourcing practices, waste reduction and recycling initiatives, and energy-efficient logistics.

Sustainable Sourcing and Supplier Requirements



GrocerDel's commitment to sustainability starts with responsible sourcing practices, working with suppliers who meet eco-friendly and ethical standards.

- **Ethical and Sustainable Sourcing**: GrocerDel prioritizes suppliers who demonstrate sustainable practices, including organic farming, fair labor practices, and minimal use of harmful chemicals. Preference is given to local producers to reduce transportation emissions and support the local economy.
- Supplier Environmental Standards: GrocerDel requires suppliers to adhere to
 environmental standards, including sustainable water and land use, wildlife protection, and
 responsible waste management. Supplier audits ensure that these standards are met
 consistently.
- **Sustainable Packaging Requirements**: GrocerDel works with suppliers to limit non-recyclable packaging, encouraging the use of biodegradable, recyclable, or reusable materials. Suppliers are required to comply with these guidelines to minimize plastic and packaging waste.

Waste Reduction and Recycling Initiatives



Reducing waste and promoting recycling are integral to GrocerDel's sustainability efforts, aimed at minimizing the environmental impact of operations.

- Minimizing Packaging Waste: and Food Waste Reduction GrocerDel employs rightsized packaging to reduce excess materials and includes eco-friendly options, such as compostable bags and recycled cardboard. Customers are encouraged to recycle or reuse packaging.
- **Recycling and Reusability Programs**: GrocerDel's facilities are equipped with recycling bins for paper, plastic, and other materials.

Energy-Efficient Logistics and Carbon Footprint Reduction



GrocerDel integrates energy-efficient practices into its logistics operations to reduce its carbon footprint and promote sustainable transportation.

- **Eco-Friendly Delivery Fleet**: GrocerDel invests in energy-efficient vehicles, including electric and hybrid models, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Routes are optimized using logistics software to minimize travel distance, fuel consumption, and emissions.
- **Carbon Offset Program**: To further counterbalance emissions, GrocerDel participates in carbon offset programs that fund renewable energy and reforestation projects. This allows the company to offset the environmental impact of its delivery operations.
- **Green Facilities and Practices**: GrocerDel's warehouses and offices are designed with energy-efficient lighting, HVAC systems, and equipment. Motion-sensor lighting, low-energy appliances, and sustainable materials are employed to create an eco-friendly workspace.

GrocerDel's environmental and sustainability policies embody its <u>commitment to</u> <u>responsible business practices and environmental stewardship</u>. By emphasizing sustainable sourcing, reducing waste, and embracing energy-efficient logistics, GrocerDel actively contributes to a more sustainable future. These policies reflect GrocerDel's dedication to eco-conscious growth, ensuring that environmental responsibility remains at the heart of its mission.