

4.24.000-P Waste-to-Energy Policy

History			
Source	Date	Action/Notes	Next Review Date
Board Decision	November 8, 2006	Approved (R411)	November 2009
Policy Committee	November 17, 2009	No change	November 2012
Policy Committee	October 23, 2012	No change	October 2015
Board Decision	November 4, 2015	Amended (R757)	November 2018
Board Decision	February 20, 2019	Amended (R869)	February 2022
Nominating and Governance Committee	August 12, 2024	No change	August 2027

POLICY

1. Among waste-to-energy projects, Energy Trust will give top funding priority to those projects using organic or biological wastes from human, animal or plant sources.
2. Among waste-to-energy projects, Energy Trust will give secondary funding priority to projects using wastes from manufacturing and industrial processes that are otherwise lost to commercial use, and that have no higher-value use than energy production. These projects will be considered as funds allow.
3. Eligible projects may use *de minimus* quantities (provisionally, less than 1% of energy content) of petroleum-based materials.

Energy Trust will prioritize waste-to-energy projects that meet the above criteria and: (a) do not use waste at the expense of a real, current alternative use with a higher social value, such as re-use or recycling; and (b) divert material from landfills, or otherwise avoid environmentally harmful waste disposal options.