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## Environmental Philosophy

Metro Hardwoods, a division of Midwest hardwood Corporation has always been an in industry leader in sustainability. This commitment has become a large part of who we are and a value that defines us as a company. We recognize our responsibility to the communities in which we operate and the markets that we serve. We are driven to meet the global demand for responsibly produced forest products.

**Sustainable Forestry-** Properly managed forests provide forestry sector jobs, sequester atmospheric carbon and provide scenic beauty for everyone to enjoy. This vision of what responsible forestry is serves as the foundation for our procurement philosophy. Our company has been continuously FSC Certified since 1995 and support responsible forestry in all our endeavors.

**Energy Management-** Midwest Hardwood Corporation uses wood waste developed from the sawmilling process downstream to power our dry kilns. Using on-site renewable energy reduces our consumption of non-renewable fossil fuels that release more greenhouse gasses into the atmosphere. We are dedicated to continue to reduce our energy usage.

**Education and Outreach-** At Midwest Hardwood Corporation, We Make Green Easy™ is our brand promise. We made a commitment to be recognized as industry experts with green building products. This allows us to provide our customers with the most current and accurate knowledge they need to maintain plant certification, produce certified products and exceed the customer expectations.

We believe that corporate sustainability is a business imperative and our sustainability initiatives have driven us to be a better corporate citizen. We have adopted the Triple Bottom Line approach to sustainability that evaluates the environmental, social and economical impacts of business operations. Taking this holistic approach began asking questions that would ultimately transform the way we do business. We believe that businesses should operate in way that benefits society, the environment and the economy. Together we can leave the planet a better place than we found it.

Richard Turk  
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*We Make Green Easy™*