

Non-Deforestation Policy of Chunghwa Telecom

Chunghwa Telecom (hereinafter referred to as “the Company”) fully recognizes the detrimental impact of deforestation on biodiversity. Therefore, beyond its own operations, the Company commits to leading the value chain (including first-tier and non-first-tier suppliers) and partners to collectively comply with the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR), avoiding all deforestation activities and products, and promoting forest restoration. This commitment aims to fulfill the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 12 (Responsible Consumption and Production), 13 (Climate Action), and 15 (Life on Land), and to achieve the goal of no net deforestation (NND) by 2030.

Commitment

- Following EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR), give priority to inventorying and establishing targets for timber products, before gradually reviewing other goods associated with deforestation in operational activities.
- Reduce the use of forest products at the source, eliminating the use of deforestation products entirely by 2030.
- Participate in significant initiatives to combat deforestation both domestically and internationally, raise public awareness of the importance of non-destruction of forests, and collaborate with external experts such as scholars, consultants, or non-governmental organizations to stay updated on the latest developments in deforestation issues and devise long-term promotion strategies.
- Regularly disclose the progress of non-deforestation initiatives on the official website or in sustainability reports.

Action

- Commission external experts to assist in the preparation of the Company’s plan for biodiversity conservation strategies.
- Continue to promote process digitalization (e.g. e-billing, e-applications) to reduce paper use.
- Paper products shall meet the certification standards of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), or the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC), be made from other forest-friendly materials, recycled eco-friendly paper materials, and eco-friendly ink printing, to ensure that the paper products are not associated with deforestation activities.
- To promote the Company’s Native Plants Restoration Project, we select suitable sites for the restoration of Taiwan’s endangered native plants and encourage employees to participate in the project, as well as enhancing communication with local communities.
- Assess suitable locations to establish OECM¹ for habitat restoration in response to the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework’s 30 x 30 target and plans to obtain certification from the Forestry and Nature Conservation Agency.



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¹ OECM: Other effective area-based conservation measures