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EICC Launches Carbon Reporting System for Electronics Companies

First industry-wide system for tracking carbon footprint of supply chains

Washington, DC—The Electronics Industry Citizenship Coalition (EICC) today announced the launch of its new Carbon Reporting System. The on-line system allows companies in the electronics industry to calculate their greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) and share the data with other companies in the industry. The system was developed to improve measurements and increase understanding of GHG emissions across the electronics industry supply chain. This is a key category of “Scope 3” emissions under the Greenhouse Gas Protocol.

“EICC is pleased that 21 global electronics firms have subscribed to the Carbon Reporting System,” stated EICC Chairman John Gabriel. “EICC is leading collaborative efforts with supply chain companies to collect, track, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions at all levels in the electronics industry.”

The EICC system collects and tracks the emissions of direct suppliers to participating companies, and provides guidance for estimating the allocation of emissions to clients. Companies that use the system have the option to report emissions data down to the facility level. The system will convert units of measurement, calculate emissions in Metric Tonnes of Carbon Equivalents (MTCE), and aggregate data from all of a company’s facilities.

Unlike lifecycle-based approaches to supply chain emissions, the EICC system gathers primary data from companies at different levels in the supply chain, which increases transparency and accountability in the industry. EICC will leverage industry data collected through the system over the coming months to identify opportunities for improvement and collaboration.

The voluntary system is free for EICC member companies. Electronics companies that are not EICC members can subscribe to the Carbon Reporting System for \$5,000 this year. The fee allows participation of up to 100 suppliers who may use the system to calculate and share global emissions data, and to share practical information on climate and energy management practices.

About EICC

EICC was established in 2004 to improve social, economic, and environmental conditions in the global electronics supply chain through use of a standardized code of conduct. EICC was incorporated in 2007 as an association to ensure greater awareness of the code, and to expand its adoption across the industry. EICC includes 40 global electronics companies.

For more information or to view the EICC code of conduct, see <http://eicc.info>.

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