EXECUTIVE ORDER No 2013-4

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

WHEREAS, Section 17-53-316 Utah Code Ann., grants the authority to the Salt Lake County Mayor, as County Executive, to issue executive orders to establish and implement an executive policy and practice; and

WHEREAS, Section 17-53-106 Utah Code Ann., grants the authority to the Salt Lake County Mayor, as County Executive, to generally direct and supervise all elected county officers and employees to ensure compliance with general county administrative ordinances, rules, or policies; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Mayor, as county executive, finds that it is necessary for the County through its agencies, programs and services to provide leadership in protecting public health, preserving resources, conserving energy, protecting and enhancing the quality of the natural environment, and developing sustainability in government; and

WHEREAS, The Salt Lake County Mayor finds it necessary and desirable to establish sustainable environmental policies and practices for county agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ben McAdams, Mayor, Salt Lake County, State of Utah, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the laws of the State of Utah, do hereby order the following:

1. County agencies shall incorporate environmentally sustainable practices in their day to day operations.

2. Each county agency shall monitor, evaluate and control its activities on a continuing basis to reduce waste, preserve resources, conserve energy, protect and enhance the quality of human health and the natural environment.

3. Such activities shall include energy conservation, waste reduction, recycling and the proper management and disposal of wastes which cannot be recycled.

4. County agencies shall implement environmentally responsible procurement practices. To the extent practicable, in evaluating and awarding contracts for materials and services, agencies shall consider the environmental capabilities, practices and responsibility of vendors and contractors. Following the award of a contract, each agency shall monitor the environmental compliance, or delivering products or materials.

5. County agencies shall be proactive and comply with all federal, state and local environmental regulations.
6. County agencies shall annually assess and evaluate their progress in meeting these goals. This Executive Order is effective upon execution.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of Salt Lake County, Utah this 7th day of January, 2013.

SALT LAKE COUNTY MAYOR

By: Ben McAdams