



Request to Equipment Suppliers on Improved Resource Efficiency

In order to help the global semiconductor industry to continue to improve its environmental performance, the WSC calls on suppliers of equipment to the semiconductor industry, including wet-clean tool suppliers, to design equipment that is more efficient and generates less waste. Individual semiconductor companies and their equipment suppliers have worked closely with each other on a voluntary basis to improve the efficiency and environmental performance of our industry's manufacturing processes, and this collaboration must continue so that efficiency improvements keep pace with increased process complexity and the resulting increase in resource consumption, consistent with global and governmental regulations, policies and/or goals. We request the equipment suppliers to the semiconductor industry work to design their equipment, including wet-clean tools, to work more electricity, water and waste efficiently in the use of resources and generate less waste.

About WSC

The World Semiconductor Council is a cooperative body of the world's leading semiconductor industry associations – consisting of the Semiconductor Industry Associations in China, Chinese Taipei, Europe, Japan, Korea and the United States – that meets annually to address issues of global concern to the semiconductor industry. The WSC also meets annually with the governments and authorities of the six regions to convey industry recommendations. The WSC is dedicated to the principle that markets should be open and competitive and works to encourage policies and regulations that fuel innovation, propel business and drive international competition in order to maintain a thriving global semiconductor industry.

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