

Worksheet 5.1B

Supply chain risks and opportunities

This is an example only – adapt this worksheet to suit your organisation’s requirements. The first category is completed as a guide: identify your own business goals and objectives and insert your opportunities and risks.

Business goals	Potential environmental risks and opportunities	Suppliers’ contributions to these risks and opportunities	Response: how to collaborate with suppliers to deal with the risk or opportunity
Reduce operating costs	Organisations sending significant amounts of waste to landfill may be incurring higher operating costs and placing a greater burden on scarce landfill facilities.	Suppliers may be using excessive packaging for products sent to purchasers or providing products in units that cannot be reused.	Work with the suppliers to help them reduce their packaging materials, or implement a packaging ‘take back’ program—thereby reducing the purchaser’s need to handle and dispose of waste and the supplier’s material handling requirements.
Increase revenue			
Protect reputation			
Reduce legal liability			
Add others			