

EcoStar 2008 Pollution Prevention (P2) Awards Program

Application



Applications due by October 1, 2008

- Winners notified by October 15
- Award ceremony November 19, State Capitol, Helena

Name

Organization Type (business; non-profit; community; educational; agricultural; contractor etc.) • # Employees

Contact Name

Title

Address

City

MT
State

Zip

Phone

Fax

E-mail

* Be as thorough as possible and answer all questions applicable for your business/organization or application will be disqualified.*

COMPANY BACKGROUND:

- Briefly describe your organization (i.e. building contractor; community development; B & B etc)

- Describe the management's commitment to pollution prevention.

- Describe the commitment and ownership the company's employees have in identifying and implementing P2 opportunities.

***PAST ECOSTAR RECIPIENTS SKIP TO #4-6**

PART 1: Operations and Processes

- Describe steps taken to reduce **energy consumption** in your business/organization (i.e. lighting, heating, cooling, equipment etc) and estimate how much your company has **reduced its energy usage: _____% in 2008.**

- Describe steps taken to reduce **water consumption** in your business/organization and estimate how much your company has **reduced its water usage: _____%**

- Describe efforts to reduce **air emissions** in your business/organization and estimate how much your company has **reduced its air emissions: _____%.**

- Describe efforts to use safer, less **hazardous products** and/or solvents in your business/organization and estimate how much your company has **reduced its use of hazardous products: _____%.**

- Describe efforts to **reduce waste** in your business/organization and estimate how much your company has **reduced its general waste**: _____%

PART 2: Purchasing and Procurement

- Describe efforts to consider the method of production of the materials you buy or sell (e.g. *materials made from recycled products; chlorine-free paper; materials made from renewable resources – i.e. agri-based inks and non-petroleum solvents and cleaners; organic produce*).

- Describe efforts to reduce packaging waste from the materials you purchase, or products you sell.

- Describe efforts to buy products made or grown locally.

- Describe your business/organization's efforts to control inventory.

a. use materials on a first-in, first-out basis to avoid spoilage? Yes No N/A

b. test out-of-date materials for usefulness before disposing of them? Yes No N/A

c. work with suppliers who take back unused portions to reuse or reprocess? Yes No N/A

- Have you ever had an on-site assessment of your facility for environmental compliance or waste reduction purposes?

Yes No N/A

- If yes, what type of assessment was it?
- When was it completed?
- Briefly describe the findings of the assessment.

PART 4: Reuse and Recycling

- Estimate your company's recycling efforts in 2008:

| Materials Recycled/Reused to date in 2008 | | |
|--|---|--|
| Materials | Amount Recycled/Reused (state which) | Units (lbs, gallons, ea etc.) |
| Cardboard | | |
| Paper (Office) | | |
| Aluminum (Cans, Scrap) | | |
| Glass | | |
| Steel/Tin/Scrap Iron | | |
| Plastic #1 and Plastic #2 | | |
| Newspaper | | |
| Household Batteries | | |
| Printer/Toner Cartridges | | |
| Fluorescent Lights | | |
| Used Ballasts | | |
| Cooking grease | | |
| Food scraps etc composted | | |
| Used Oil | | |
| Cell phones | | |
| Gray water: | | |
| Others: | | |
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PART 5: Waste Reduction Goal

- Set a specific pollution prevention goal (i.e. switch to alternative fuel vehicles for company use; provide incentives for employees to actively engage in P2 practices; replace all cleaners with biodegradable alternatives; etc).
 - List at least one step you will take in the coming year towards your goal.
 - Include a general time frame of action for reaching your waste reduction goal.
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PART 6: RENEWAL of EcoStar Status (required for past recipients only)

- Did your business or organization achieve its 2007 Waste Reduction Goal as stated in your 2007 EcoStar application?

Yes No

If yes, how? If no, state the barriers and new plans to meeting the goal.

- What new achievements has your business or organization accomplished in 2008 towards *sustainable* pollution prevention (i.e. moving beyond reuse and recycling to a source reduction program; utilizing an environmentally responsible procurement plan, etc.)?

- Describe internal organizational changes that have occurred due to your commitment to sustainability and pollution prevention (i.e. stated commitment to P2; assigned, paid position to lead P2 effort etc).

- How is your business moving beyond simple P2 practices and leading its industry, community and/or the state of Montana in environmentally responsible business practices?

BY SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION, I CERTIFY THAT, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, I AM CURRENTLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS AND THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

I AM AWARE THAT A DEQ STATE REGULATORY COMPLIANCE CHECK WILL BE CONDUCTED.

Contact Name

Title

Signature

Date

Return this form by fax, mail or e-mail to address below.

** Note: If emailing application, please sign it digitally or mail/fax signature page.*

Applications are due by October 1, 2008

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