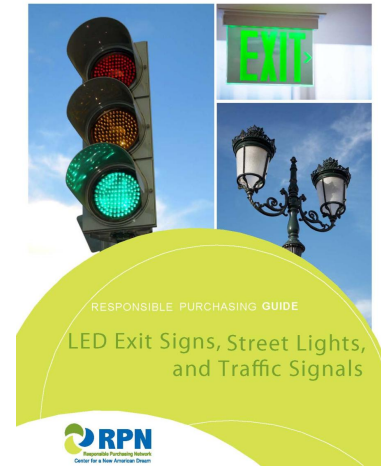


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Questions?

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AGENDA

- 1) Welcome and Introduction**
- 2) How to Avoid “Greenwashing”**
- 3) Sustainable Purchasing 101**
- 4) RPN Resources**
- 5) Membership Administration**
- 6) Questions**

Welcome and Introduction

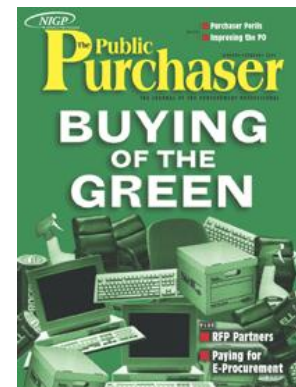
RPN Mission

“Promote and practice responsible purchasing by identifying best practices, developing effective purchasing tools, educating the market, and using our collective purchasing power to maximize environmental stewardship, protect human health, and support local and global sustainability.”

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International Network

- State and local governments
- Federal agencies
- Colleges and universities
- School districts
- Businesses
- Non-profit organizations
- Faith-based organizations



Avoiding Greenwashing Through the Use of Trusted Eco-Labels



Phillip Kobernick
RPN Manager



January 18, 2012

Environmental Claims Increasing

- Eco-safe
- Environmentally friendly
- Earth friendly
- Earth smart
- Environmentally safe
- Environmentally preferable
- Essential non-toxic
- Practically non-toxic
- Made with non-toxic ingredients
- Degradable
- Natural
- Environmentally safe
- CFC free
- Zero primary
- Recyclable

According to the FTC:
FALSE CLAIMS



Original Source: Kirsten Ritche, Gensler

7 “Sins” of Greenwashing

Fibbing
“Non-Toxic”

No Proof
“Just trust us”

Irrelevance
“CFC-Free”

Hidden Trade-Off
Compostable
food containers
with
“Teflon” coating

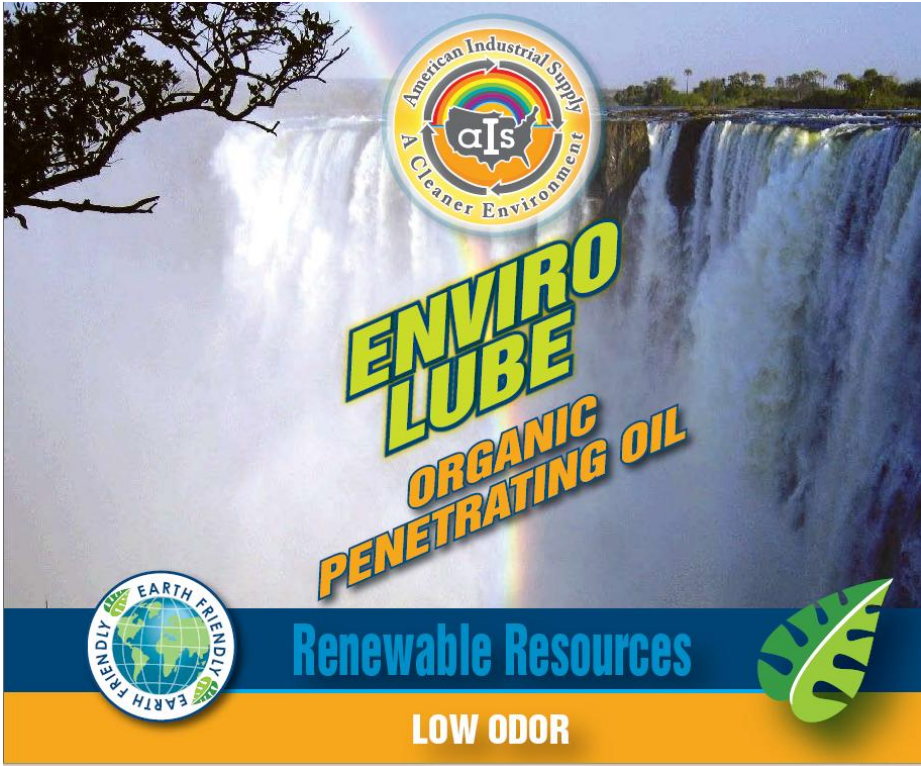
Sin of Vagueness
“100% Natural”

Lesser of Two Evils
Organic
cigarettes

Worshipping False Labels



Manufacturer-created Eco-Labels



Manufacturer “Green” Claims



The Power of Citrus

Made with a special combination of Citrus Power and scientific technology, [Goo Gone safely removes any mess.](#)



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SECTION 1 – CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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Product Name: GOO GONE
Product Code: GG01, GG06, GG12, GG12C, GG12TB, GG12LN, GG12CNLN, GGP16A, GGP16CN, GG44, GG44TB, GG4472ST, GG447218, GG89, GG89AUST, GG89CN, GZ92, 1647, 1649, 1650, 175011480, 5011488, 77133

Supplier: MAGIC AMERICAN PRODUCTS
Address: 26901 CANNON ROAD, SUITE 190
BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH 44146

Telephone: (800) 321-6330 M-F, 9-5 EST
Emergency: CHEMTREC 24 HR (800) 424-9300
Date: October 18, 2010

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SECTION 2 – COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>CAS #</u>
Distillates (petroleum), hydrotreated light	< 95	64742-47-8
Tripropylene glycol methyl ether	1 – 10	25498-49-1
Citrus extracts blend	1 – 10	94266-47-4 / 8028-48-6

Retailer-created Ecolabels



Multi-Attribute Certifications

EcoLogo[™] Program

Third-party certification of environmentally-preferable products


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Our Standards

The EcoLogo Program: Scientifically Rigorous Standards. Meet ISO 14024 standards for eco-labelling. Open, public, transparent stakeholder standard-setting process

[▶ Click here to view our criteria...](#)



Single Attribute Certifications



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ENVIRONMENTAL INSTITUTE

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GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified

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Indoor Air Quality Certified Product Guide

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Listed Products

Low-Emitting

Microbial Resistant

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The world's largest guide for selecting low-emitting products and materials.
(This guide is developed by GEI, an industry-independent non-profit organization that is not affiliated with any manufacturer of a product that GEI certifies.)

Product Category:
Flooring

Sub-Category:
Resilient

Type:
Rubber

Manufacturer:
--ALL--

Search

Click "Search" button to view results.

QUICK PRODUCT SEARCH

Keyword:

Search

Search CSI Codes

GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified® Products

Your search returned 42 products.

Display 20

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Advance

Mondo America Inc.

GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified

Certification Status: CERTIFIED

Restrictions: NONE

Certification Period(s): 04/2009- 04/2010

Printable Certificate for Indoor Air Quality

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Mondo America Inc.

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Restrictions: NONE

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Printable Certificate for Indoor Air Quality

Harmoni

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GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified

Certification Status: CERTIFIED

Restrictions: NONE

Certification Period(s): 04/2009- 04/2010

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Green Product Rating Systems



- US DOE/EPA ENERGY STAR Program (energy-efficient appliances, office and lighting equipment)



- Electronic Products Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT) (“green” computer equipment)



Look for the label!

- US EPA Design for the Environment (DfE) Program (low-toxicity cleaners)

Require Claims to be Verified

“Suppliers citing environmentally preferred product claims shall provide proper certification or detailed information on environmental benefits, durability and recyclable properties.”



Environmental Claims Validated Mark

*Source: University of California Policy
on Sustainable Practices*



Green Business Certification Programs





How to Effectively Use Eco-labels



2.5 Use of Social and Environmental Product or Service Labels

City employees are encouraged to use independent, third-party social and/or environmental (eco) product or service label standards when writing specifications for, or procuring materials, products, or services, so long as such labels:

- Were developed and awarded by an impartial third-party;
- Were developed in a public, transparent, and broad stakeholder process; and
- Represent specific and meaningful leadership criteria for that product or service category.

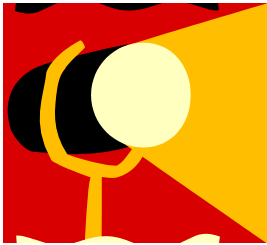
City of Portland, OR Sustainable Procurement Policy

Sustainable Purchasing 101



Alicia Culver
Responsible Purchasing Network

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Overview

- **What is sustainable procurement and why do it?**
- **What strategies can you use to set up an effective sustainable procurement program?**

Sustainable Procurement Policy Goals

“...minimize negative impacts on human health and environment while supporting a diverse, equitable, and vibrant community and economy...”



City of Tacoma, WA Resolution No. 38248

Unsustainable Products



- Hazardous ingredients
- Poor energy, fuel or water efficiency
- Wasteful (rapidly disposable, little or no recycled content, difficult to recycle)
- Unsustainable production, use, transportation, and disposal impacts



Why **Sustainable** Procurement is an Important Strategy

- “Leading by Example”
- “Proving Ground” for sustainable products
- Strengthening markets
- Rewards product redesign
→ market transformation
- Cleans up the supply chain



Sustainable Products are...

- Made with recycled content
- Highly energy efficient
- Designed to be long lasting
- Recyclable or compostable
- Made from renewable resources
- Less toxic than conventional goods
- Manufactured locally and responsibly
- Fairly traded
- Safely managed at the end of their life



What are Environmentally Preferable Goods & Services?

“...products and services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared to competing products and services that serve the same purpose.”



Why Buy **Green** Products?

Progress towards:



- Reducing air and water pollution
- Meeting climate protection and “zero waste” goals
- Minimizing toxic chemical releases and exposures
- Creating “green” jobs
- Earning green building credits
- **SAVING MONEY**



How **Green** Products Can Save Money



- Lower upfront costs
- Conserve energy or water
- Reduce paper or fuel use
- Lower maintenance costs
- Reduce replacement costs
- Avoid disposal/cleanup costs
- Support the local/regional economy
- Offset environmental and health program costs

“Best Value” Procurement

Favors Efficient Products

Considers overall (life-cycle) costs of ownership:

- **Initial price**
- **Utility costs (energy, water)**
- **Maintenance costs (labor and replacement)**
- **End-of-life costs (disposal and recycling)**



Hand Dryers vs. Paper Towels

Cost of Hand Dryers vs Paper Towels

CALCULATE YOUR SAVINGS

Did you know that converting from paper towels to Hand Dryers could represent **COST SAVINGS**? No more repetitive paper towel purchases or labor costs to replace paper towel dispenser. No more cleaning up the towel mess or servicing the paper towel dispenser.

Fill in the shaded boxes and click "Calculate" to analyze the impact on your operation.

(*If the form is not working properly click the [printable version](#) and print the form manually*)



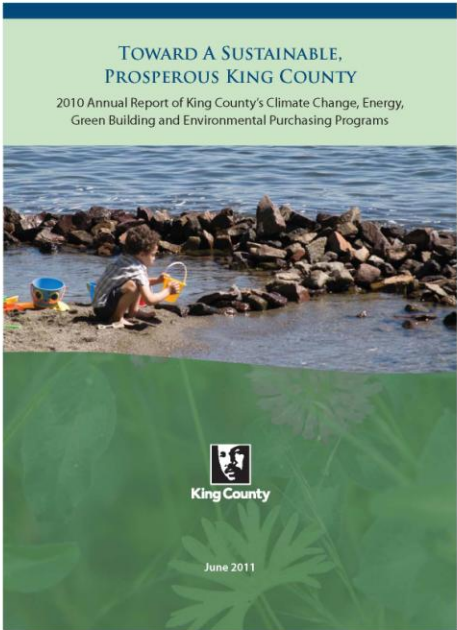
PAPER TOWEL COSTS	
Number of Cases of Paper Towels Used Annually	<input type="text"/>
Cost per Case Delivered (Include Freight and tax) (typically \$15.00 - \$25.00/case)	<input type="text"/>
Number of Towels per Case	<input type="text"/>
For example: 2,400/case for C-fold towels 4,000/case for Multi-fold towels 4,800 linear ft/case for Roll Towels	<input type="text"/>
Your KWH Rate (typically \$.10 per KWH)	<input type="text"/>
Total Paper Towel Costs per Year	<input type="text"/>
Handling Cost (50% of item 3 - Includes the cost of generating requisitions and purchase orders, receiving, storing, servicing towel dispensers, collecting and disposing of used towels.)	<input type="text"/>
TOTAL COST OF USING PAPER TOWELS PER YEAR	<input type="text"/>

HAND DRYER COSTS	
6. Number of paper towels used annually (Item 1 multiplied by total sheets per case)	<input type="text"/>
7. Number of Hand Drying annually (Item 6 divided by 2.5 towels per hand dry)	<input type="text"/>
8. Hours of hand dryer usage (Item 7 divided by 120 hand dries per hour) (Use 240 hand dries per hour for XLERATOR®)	<input type="text"/>
9. Cost of electricity per hour (2.2 KW multiplied by your KWH rate) (Use 1.5 KW for XLERATOR®)	<input type="text"/>
10. TOTAL ANNUAL HAND DRYER COSTS (Line 8 multiplied by Line 9)	<input type="text"/>
11. YOUR ANNUAL SAVINGS (Item 5 minus Item 10)	<input type="text"/>
COMPUTE YOUR % SAVINGS (Item 11 divided by Item 5)	<input type="text"/>
CALCULATE YOUR PAYBACK	
Cost of Each Dryer	<input type="text"/>
Installation Cost (Typically \$50 - \$125/dryer)	<input type="text"/>
Number of Hand Dryers Purchased (See Note Below)	<input type="text"/>

King County Green Purchases and Savings

In 2010, King County, WA purchased \$41 million in environmentally preferable products, saving ~\$1 million.

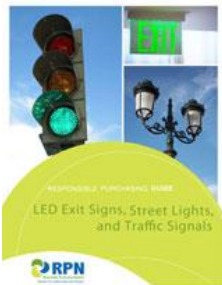
Commodity	2010 Savings
Aggregates	\$300,000
Tire Retreading	\$264,578
Toner Cartridges	\$222,830
Green Cleaners	\$132,735
Motor Oil	\$61,004
Antifreeze	\$17,175
Total	\$998,322



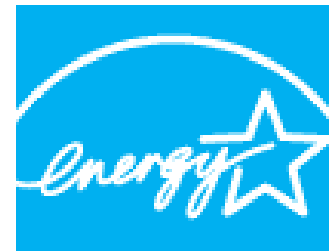
Toner and Ink Cartridges

- Remanufactured toner and ink cartridges cost 30-60% less per copy than “virgin” cartridges
 - ✓ Need strict performance standards
 - ✓ Can support local jobs
- Requiring vendors to take-back empties can reduce disposal costs (& result in rebates)
- High-yield (XL) toner and ink cartridges reduce replacement costs and transportation impacts





ENERGY STAR-rated LED Lamps



- **Energy-efficient**
(75% more efficient than incandescents)
- **Long life (15X longer than incandescents;
≥25,000 hours rated life)**
- **Mercury-free (unlike CFLs)**



Qualified list: www.energystar.gov

US DOE: LEDs can save enough electricity
to replace ~24 large power plants by 2030



Green Cleaners Save Money

Hennepin County, MN Case Study



An Environmental Services employee cleans the floor with a microfiber mop at HCMC.

County medical center switched to green cleaners, non-corrosive (peroxide) disinfectant, and microfiber mops

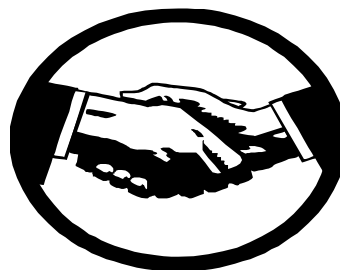
- ✓ 7% reduction in cost of cleaners
- ✓ 17% reduction in volume of cleaners
- ✓ 80% reduction in chemical injuries

*Pilot test financed by Hennepin County
Leading by Example Fund*

Best Practice

Centralize Green Purchasing

- **Lowers prices by aggregating demand**
- **Easier to control/monitor purchases**
- **Simplifies education process**
- **Saves time on ordering, book-keeping**



Best Practice

Institutionalize

- Don't try to do it on your own.
- Get top level support
- Assemble a “Green Team”
- Establish roles and responsibilities
- Adopt sustainable purchasing policy, standards and best practices



See 10 Steps to Starting a Sustainable Purchasing Program on RPN website)

Santa Clara County, CA Institutionalizes EPP

“All County departments and employees shall comply with this policy with respect to all products and services purchased, irrespective of the method of acquisition.”

Key stakeholders include:

- **Director of Procurement**
- **EPP Team**
- **County Departments**

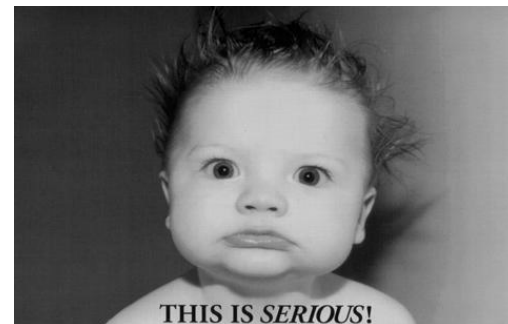


Santa Clara County County Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Policy

Best Practice

Prioritize

- **Largest potential impact**
- **Ability to meet environmental/health goals**
- **Opportunities for change**
(contracts re-bid)
- **Ease of implementation**
(use existing specs)
- **Potential to save money/create local jobs**



Best Practice

Publicize Policies & Procedures

Buying Green: Sustainable Procurement at the City of Portland



In 2008 the City of Portland City Council passed the Sustainable Procurement Policy, which is an effort to spend public funds on goods and services that minimize negative environmental impacts, are fair and socially just, and make economic sense, now and in the long term. The Sustainable Procurement Policy compliments and builds on many other environmental and social programs in the City. The links below provide more information and resources regarding the City's work on integrating sustainability principles into procurement decisions.

CITY EMPLOYEES: "Sign In" to PortlandOnline to view the Sustainable Procurement for Employees website that contains employee-specific resources for identifying and specifying safer products and services.

Sustainable Procurement for Employees

Sustainable procurement resources for City employees

Getting Started

The Basics of Buying Green

Policies, Reports, etc.

City Sustainable Procurement Policy and related policies and reports

Additional Resources

Links, evaluation tools, eco-labels, local government examples, etc...

Best Practice

Race to the Top

Products Recognized as ENERGY STAR Most Efficient in 2011

			
Clothes Washers	Refrigerators	Televisions	Heating & Cooling

ENERGY STAR Most Efficient Designation Graphic



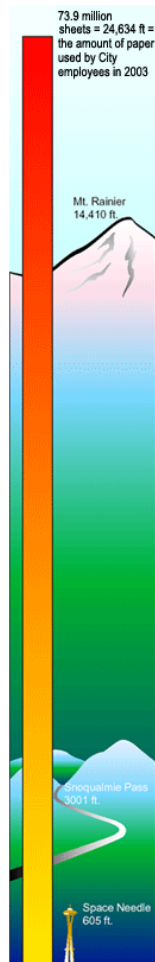
The screenshot shows the 'top ten USA' website. The header includes the logo 'top ten USA' with the tagline 'Energy-saving products. Because efficiency counts.' and a search bar. Navigation links include Home, How We Evaluate, Rebates, and About Us. A secondary navigation bar lists product categories: Refrigerators, Freezers, Televisions, Computers, Vehicles, Dishwashers, Clothes Washers, and Monitors. The main content area features a promotional message: 'Save energy. Lower your bills. The most efficient products you can buy. Click any category to see the Top 10.' Below this, there are logos for supporters: EEA, WWF, SMUD, and PGE. On the right side, there is a grid of product categories with corresponding images: Top Ten Medium Televisions, Top Ten Large Refrigerators, Top Ten Laptop Computers, Top Ten Large Televisions, Top Ten Dishwashers, Top Ten Freezers, Top Ten Small Televisions, Top Ten Small Clothes Washers, and Top Ten Large Clothes Washers.

Best Practice

Aim for the Bottom

Seattle's Paper Cuts Program

- Set 30% paper reduction goal (vs. 2004)
- Established duplex printing standard
- Copy paper spec = 100% post-consumer recycled content/processed chlorine-free
- 2009 => 28% reduction;
cost savings = <\$80,000





Best Practice Performance Test

- Engage end-users early
- Set performance criteria
 - ✓ Should be no trade-off
- Request product samples
- Conduct pilot tests
 - ✓ Try innovative products
- Approve only what works



Best Practice

Green Your Market Basket List

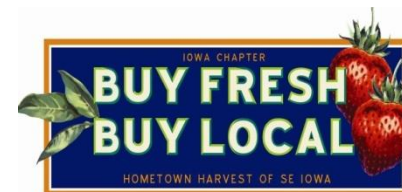
- **Add “green” products to your core/market basket lists so they become eligible for vendor’s deepest discounts (or spec green only)**
- **Remove non-green products from core/market basket list (or contract) to get better price breaks on green products**



Best Practice

Reduce Transportation Impacts

- Avoid overnight shipping, whenever possible
- Ask vendors to offer incentives for reducing the frequency of deliveries
- Reduce packaging, buy long-lasting products
- Support local suppliers



Best Practice

Require Vendors to Recycle

- Saves time/money by shifting responsibility for recycling to manufacturers and distributors
- Creates infrastructure for efficient recycling
- Encourages manufacturers to redesign their products to be safer, more durable and more easily recyclable



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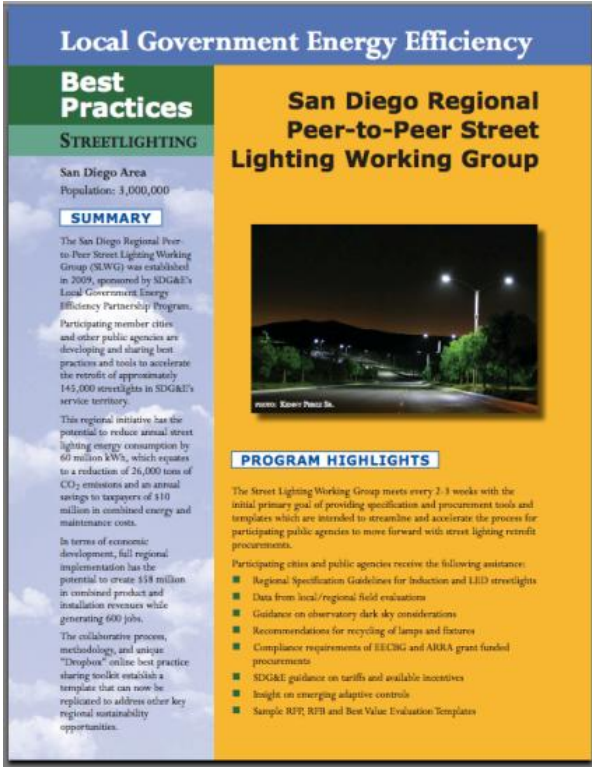
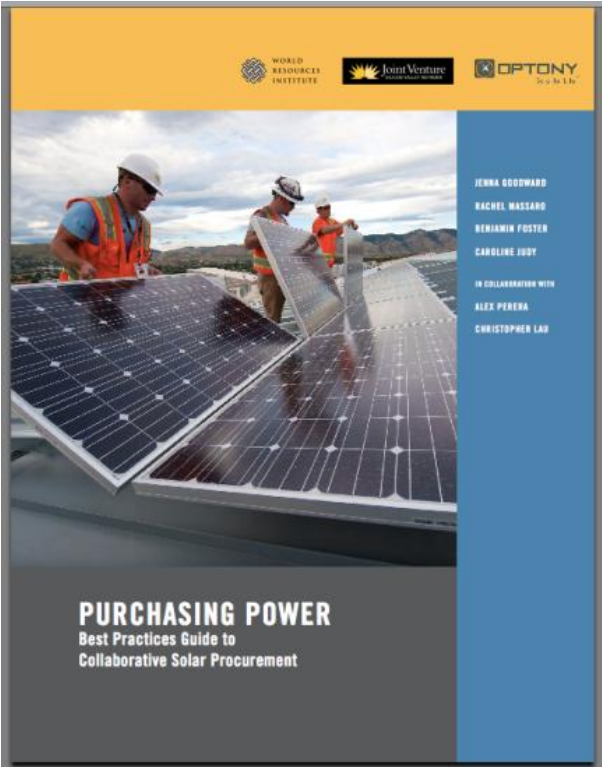
Purchase Cooperatively

Collaboration among public agencies can:

- **SAVE TIME** by not “reinventing the wheel” by sharing research, specifications, bid solicitation documents, and vendor lists to create new “green contracts
- **SAVE MONEY** by aggregating demand from multiple entities



Best Practice Regional Collaborations



Best Practice:
**Buy Green Products on Cooperative
Purchasing Agreements**



Western States Contracting Alliance

SITE SEARCH:

SEARCH

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Vendor FAQ

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CURRENT COOPERATIVE CONTRACTS

JANITORIAL SUPPLIES AND INDUSTRIAL PAPER (WSCA-OR)

W20-2007

BASIC CONTACT INFORMATION - LEAD STATE

PARTICIPATING STATES:



Affiliation:

WSCA

Lead State:

Oregon

Lead State Contract Number:

102-5031-5

Contact person:

Pam Johnson

Phone:

(503) 378-4731

Fax:

(503) 373-1626

Email:

pam.johnson@state.or.us

LINK TO LEAD STATE WEBSITE




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- Best Practices
- Certifications & Standards
- New Supplier Inquiry

U.S. Communities Going Green Program is the one-stop source for public agency access to a broad line of responsible purchasing products, services and resources. In addition to our comprehensive contracts that offer eco-friendly products, agencies will find a wealth of valuable information and resources that will help lower your environmental impact within your community and will assist you in making educated decisions about the products your agency purchases.

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for **PROVIDING SOLUTIONS**



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Office Supplies	Janitorial Supplies
Technology Products	Park & Playground
Electrical & Data Communications	Maintenance, Repair & Operating Supplies
Technology Solutions	Auto Parts & Accessories
Office Machines	Roofing Supplies & Services
Office Furniture	Synthetic Turf & Athletic Surfaces



WHAT'S HOT: WHAT'S NEW



U.S. Communities & Responsible Purchasing Network Partner to Promote Green Products on Cooperative Contracts.

What do you get when you combine aggregated influences of over 87,000 buyers with Responsible Purchasing Network's green purchasing programs? A powerful new resource for finding and buying credible green products through competitively solicited contracts. [Full Details...](#)

Strategy:


Publicize Sustainable Products Offered on Your Contracts



Recycled and Environmentally Preferable Products and Services Guide

Massachusetts Statewide Contracts
Operational Services Division





Environmental Purchasing Bulletin

Natural Vegetation Management

June 12, 2007 King County EP Bulletin # 103

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Please e-mail Karen Hamilton if you have comments, suggestions, or questions about the bulletin, or would like your name removed from the mailing list.

Introduction

King County Metro Transit hired a goat herder and 270 of his goats from Eastern Washington to assist with vegetation management last week at the Tukwila Park-and-Ride and at Metro's East Base in Bellevue. These two sites have been difficult for Metro to maintain due to steep hillsides and uneven ground. The goats are a more efficient way to control the weeds than crews of human workers, present less risk of injury to the human staff, and eliminate the need for chemical maintenance.

Natural Vegetation Management




270 goats happily ate weeds last week at the Tukwila Park-and-Ride and Bellevue's East Base.

They were hired by Metro Transit to help eradicate weeds from hard to maintain places, and as an environmentally preferable alternative to chemicals.

Using goats for weed control is not news to those who have spent time around these animals, but the idea to use them in urban environments is getting a lot of attention these days as people look around for cost-effective weed management that has low impacts on the environment.

Goats will do the hard work of clearing invasive plants, as they will eat almost anything and are built for hilly environments.

King County, following the footsteps of a few other local jurisdictions, contracted with Healing Hooves, LLC, an Eastern Washington company, to maintain weeds with goats. 270 goats and their kids arrived on-site with their shepherd, Craig Madsen, his dog assistant, Mac, and an electronic fence. These goats grazed at the Tukwila site for three days and at the Bellevue site for four days. They will come back in the fall to manage new growth.



Best Practice

Direct Suppliers to...

- **Clearly label products that meet YOUR EPP criteria (using data from eco-labeling organizations)**
- **Require “greenest” products to be listed first via online searches**
- **Substitute (or suggest) EPPs when conventional items ordered**
- **Periodically report \$ amount of compliant/non-compliant purchases sold on your contract**

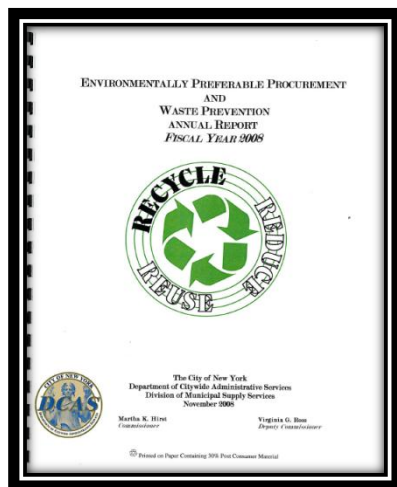




Best Practice

Track and Report

Meet reporting requirements
Measure success!



- Determine quantity of “sustainable” goods & services used by your facilities
 - ✓ Document progress for LEED, policy goals
 - ✓ Identify challenges and opportunities
 - ✓ Plan for future efforts
- Identify cost impacts
 - ✓ Measure cost savings and increases
 - ✓ Demonstrate the financial case for a Responsible Purchasing Program



Thank You!



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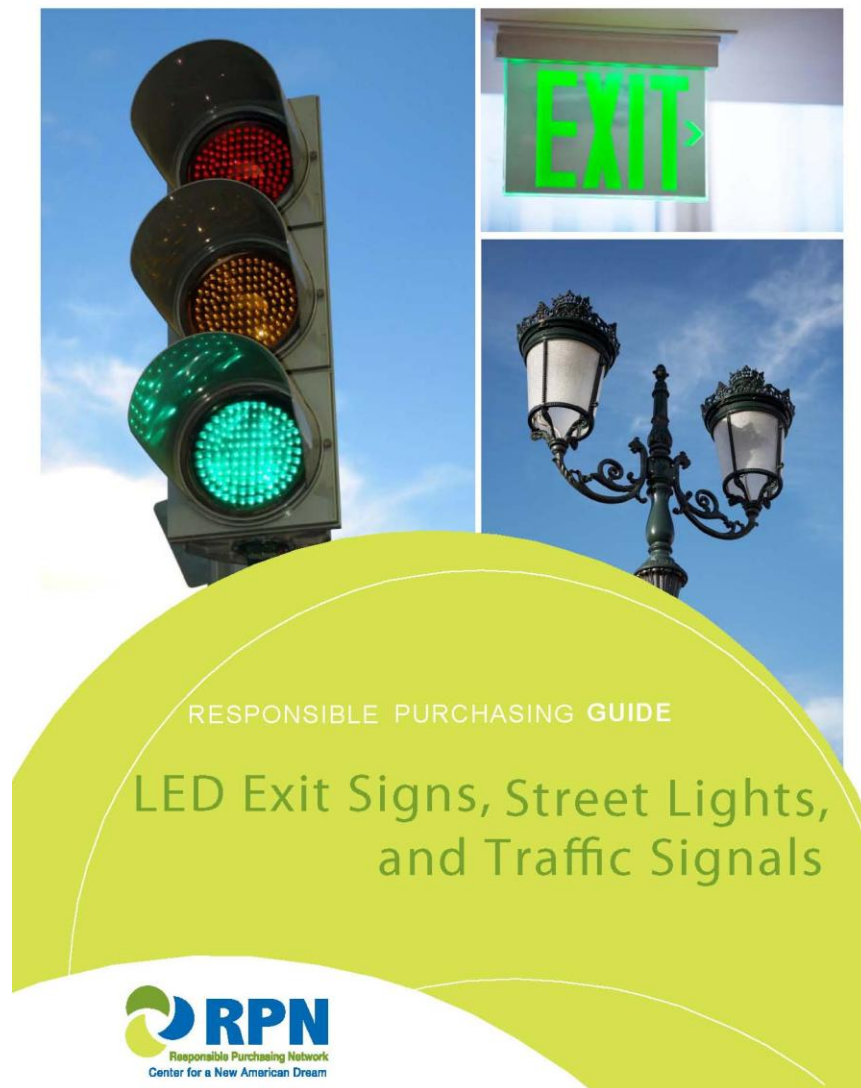
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Product Categories:

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- Carbon Offsets
- Cleaners
- Computers
- Copy Paper
- Fleet Vehicles
- Fluorescent Lights
- Food Services
- LEDs
- Graffiti Remover
- Green Power
- Office Machines
- Paint
- Toner Cartridges
- Tires, Wheel Weights



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Office Electronics: Overview


Welcome to the Responsible Purchasing Guide for Office Electronics. This Guide provides information and recommendations on responsible use, purchasing, and disposal of printers, copiers, fax machines, scanners, and multifunction devices (MFDs).

Below we provide an overview of each section of the Guide: **Social & Environmental Issues**; **Best Practices**; **Cost, Quality & Supply**; **Policies**; **Specifications**; **Standards**; **Products**; **Handy Facts**; **Definitions**; and **Credits & Endnotes**.

Creating and exchanging documents is a function shared by all businesses, government agencies, and other organizations of all sizes and geographic locations. Document technologies have changed, but office electronics (printers, copiers, fax machines, scanners, multi-function devices, mailing machines, power adapters and others) will continue to be a significant part of any office for the foreseeable future.

Over the past decade, there have been significant shifts in the practices and technologies used by organizations to create and exchange documents:

- ▶ The costs of printing and document management are staggering. These costs account for up to 10% of an organization's annual revenues (Hawkins, 2007) even though, according to some industry estimates, office paper use nationwide has been on a slight decline in recent years (Ringquist, 2006). Some organizations still project increases in office paper use. For example, the Federal Government expects continued growth in paper consumption through 2020 (The Federal Network for



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Office Electronics: Social & Environmental


Office electronics have a range of social and environmental impacts, including: energy use, hazardous substances, waste, and air quality. By choosing more environmentally preferable equipment, institutions can decrease the energy use of imaging equipment by up to 60%, reduce pollution and risks to human health, minimize waste, and improve indoor air quality.

Below we discuss issues associated with **Energy**, **Hazardous Substances**, **Air Quality**, **End-of-Life Management**, **Waste from Imaging Supplies**, and **Paper Usage**.

Energy






According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, electronic equipment is responsible for up to 26% of energy use in a typical office building (The Cadmus Group, 2007). Using equipment with ENERGY STAR power management features is an easy way to reduce energy consumption. ENERGY STAR-labeled equipment enters an energy-saving “sleep” mode after a defined period of inactivity, maintaining functionality on low power when not in full use. Time spent in low-power mode helps equipment run cooler and last longer, saving on air conditioning and maintenance costs. In certain products, ENERGY STAR registered equipment uses 90% less electricity than conventional models.


Unplugging electronic equipment at the end of each day eliminates standby or “vampire” electricity use. The US Department of Energy estimates that five to 10 percent of electricity used in this country is used for standby power, adding up to as much as \$10 billion per year in extra energy costs. A more convenient way to avoid these extra costs is to turn off power strips—although the power strips themselves can use a small amount of electricity, even when turned off. Power strips exist that automatically shut down on a set schedule, avoiding the need to manually shut them down each day.



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Office Electronics: Best Practices

This section highlights best practices for developing, implementing, and monitoring a successful responsible electronic equipment purchasing program. Core practices include: **form a balanced stakeholder team**; **measure baseline inventory and impacts**; **choose the best equipment mix**; **decide on the acquisition method**; **set goals**; **adopt a policy**; **evaluate standards and specifications**; **improve practices**; and **measure progress**.


Form a Team

The first step is to assemble a balanced range of stakeholders to work on the issue, including: procurement staff involved in ordering equipment, supplies, and paper; information technology staff; management; end users; environmental consultants and/or advocates; and other interested staff as appropriate. Together, the team should decide on and implement plans regarding the procurement and use of electronic equipment, including a plan for measuring and reporting results.

Baseline Data

Gather baseline data on inventory, consumption, cost, and human and environmental impacts related to electronics procurement. Data should include:











- ▶ Imaging equipment currently in use
- ▶ Number of prints and copies produced by each piece of equipment
- ▶ True cost and environmental impact of each piece of equipment, measured in terms of:
 - Equipment cost or lease rate




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Office Electronics: Cost, Quality & Supply

Environmentally preferable electronic equipment is comparable in cost, quality, and supply to models without such features. In many instances, duplex (i.e. 2-sided) printing and ENERGY STAR power management functions come standard. Even if a cheaper model without such features is available, environmentally preferable functions pay for themselves through savings on staff time, maintenance, energy, consumables, and paper.

Cost

Environmentally preferable electronic equipment generally costs no more than models without environmental attributes. It is even possible to save money by purchasing environmentally preferable imaging equipment. For example, in its 2005 bid, the State of California reduced its costs for new copiers while incorporating many environmental criteria (SoC, 2006). Duplex units are standard on many printers and copiers, and double-sided printing can reduce office paper needs by up to 40 percent. Washington County, Minnesota - with two printers and 70 employees - saved over 10,000 sheets of paper and \$57 in paper costs the first year they implemented duplexing (MSWMCB, 2002a). Similarly, ENERGY STAR registered equipment is up to 90 percent more efficient than models without energy management controls, thereby decreasing energy costs and prolonging the life of equipment.

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Office Electronics: Policies

Many responsible purchasing efforts start with policies. Policies for purchasing printers, copiers, fax machines, scanners, and MFDs typically outline the importance of buying environmentally preferable imaging equipment, identify desired human health and environmental product attributes, and require procurement of ENERGY STAR qualified products.

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Model Policy

Alameda County, CA, Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Model Policy, 2006

This overarching yet succinct policy covers a full range of products including imaging equipment, with specifications for remanufactured toner cartridges (paragraph 3.1.2), producer equipment take-back (3.1.9), equipment compatibility with recycled paper and cartridges (3.2.2), and equipment energy efficiency (3.3.4).


More Sample Policies

Click on a policy to read more about it and download a pdf copy.

Federal

The White House, Executive Order 13514, 2009

Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance requires that federal agencies prioritize “employing environmentally sound practices with respect to the agency’s disposition of all





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Office Electronics: Specifications

Establishing a responsible imaging equipment policy demonstrates a commitment to buying better printers, copiers, fax machines, scanners, and MFDs. But with or without a policy, environmental attributes must be incorporated into procurement specifications.

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State

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Photocopiers, Printers, Facsimile/Multifunctional Equipment Supplies and Services, 2003

This detailed and comprehensive request for bids contains specifications for copiers, printers, faxes, and toner cartridges with preference for: remanufactured equipment and consumables; energy efficiency; reduced packaging; compatibility with recycled paper; end-of-life management; reduced toxics; emissions control; and environmental plans from bidders. Specs are on these pages: p. 35 for copiers, p. 78 for printers, p. 113 for fax machines, and p. 137 for toner cartridges.


State of Michigan, Master Contract for the Lease of Output Services and Limited Services, 2009

Leasing contract that covers digital copiers, faxes, scanners, printers, and multi-functional office devices (MFD) (individually and collectively, "Equipment") on a cost per image (CPI) basis for all State of Michigan departments and agencies. Contains provisions for: ENERGY STAR and EPEAT Silver or higher

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Office Electronics: Standards


In this section we discuss and compare standards for imaging equipment. ENERGY STAR and EcoLogo are the two leading standards for responsible printers, copiers, faxes, scanners, and MFDs. EPEAT will be releasing its standards for imaging equipment and televisions in 2011, at which point it will become another leading environmental standard. GREENGUARD has certification criteria for imaging equipment but currently no products are certified to this standard.

Download the [Standards Comparison Chart](#) (.xls) to compare how the ENERGY STAR, EcoLogo, and GREENGUARD certifications address a variety of social, environmental and performance criteria.



ENERGY STAR

ENERGY STAR, a partnership between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Energy, rates products based on energy use during operation. Over fifty product categories are included in ENERGY STAR, each with a unique rating methodology based on the amount of energy used for product functions. Imaging equipment covered by ENERGY STAR includes: copiers, printers, fax machines, scanners, MFDs, mailing machines, and power adapters. To date, the standards have focused on low-power and standby power modes. Revised ENERGY STAR criteria for imaging equipment were released in early 2007 and included efficiency requirements for active power modes. This standard uses two different approaches to address the energy consumption of imaging equipment. The Typical Energy Consumption method (TEC) analyzes full duty cycle for standard-sized equipment. The Operational Mode (OM) approach focuses on energy consumption in



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Office Electronics: Products

This database includes over one thousand ENERGY STAR and EcoLogo registered copiers, printers, faxes, scanners, and MFDs, mailing machines, and power adapters. Listings are updated regularly, but please check directly with certifying agencies to verify product registration status.

> [Download an Excel file of this listing](#) (last RPN update on July 6, 2009).

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Type	Manufacturer	Product/Model	Standards
Scanners	Avision	300400011	ENERGY STAR
Scanners	Avision	300500003	ENERGY STAR

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Calculators

- **RPN created calculators for: reman toners, bottled water, vehicles**
- **Other calculators such as ENERGY STAR for electronics and appliances, EPEAT for computers, and many others...**





Bottled Water: Calculator

This Bottled Water Calculator, developed by RPN, compares the cost and environmental impacts of 16.9 oz. bottles of water with tap water. Results are expressed in gallons of water, mega joules of energy, gallons of oil, pounds of CO2e, and dollars saved.

Edit the values below and click update.

How much water do you drink?

Enter the total number of 16.9 oz. bottles of water purchased by your organization in a year:

Cost of Tap Water per Gallon (\$ per gallon):

(If you know your local cost, please enter - otherwise leave the national average.)

Cost of 16.9 oz Bottle of Water (typical is \$1.50):

Impact

Total Water Drank:	1,563	gallons
Extra Water Required for Production and Purification:	3,125	gallons
Energy Required for Manufacturing:	1,006	megajoules
Oil Required to Produce the Plastic Bottle(s):	248	gallons
CO2e to Manufacture Plastic Bottle(s):	1,875	pounds

Your Extra Cost for Bottled Water: **\$14,980.00**



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Lifecycle Environmental Impact

The following is a break down of the environmental impact of your choices for different grades of paper.

Recalculate	Baseline Paper	100% Recycled Paper
Paper	Uncoated Freesheet (e.g. c	Uncoated Freesheet (e.g. c
Quantity per year	1000 Pounds	1000 Pounds
% Postconsumer	0	100
Wood Use	2 tons	0 tons 2 tons less
Net Energy	15 million BTU's	11 million BTU's 4 million BTU's less
Greenhouse Gases	2,941 lbs CO ₂ equiv.	1,711 lbs CO ₂ equiv. 1,230 lbs CO ₂ equiv. less
Wastewater	11,109 gallons	5,186 gallons 5,924 gallons less
Solid Waste	954 pounds	595 pounds 360 pounds less



The Baseline Paper uses 2 tons , the equivalent of about 13 trees
100% Recycled Paper would use/produce 2 tons less , the equivalent of about 13 fewer trees

<http://calculator.environmentalpaper.org/home>

Case Studies

City of Portland, OR

- Saved \$335,000 in electricity costs per year



A City-bired contractor installs one of more than 13,000 LED lamps during the fall of 2001.

Portland's LED retrofit

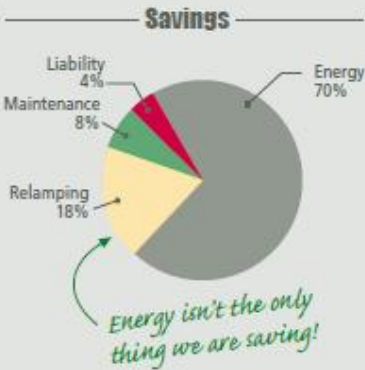
- 6,900 red and 6,400 green signal lamps (a mix of 12" balls, 8" balls, and turn arrows in both colors.)
- 140 flashing amber beacons
- several light rail transit signals

...and its benefits

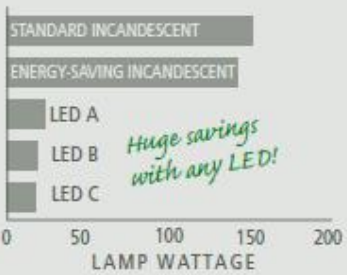
Energy use and savings

	BEFORE	AFTER
Kilowatt hours per year	6.1 million	1.2 million
Electric cost per year	\$420,000	\$85,000
Energy savings per year		\$335,000

LED Project Figures



Energy Usage Comparison



Net Cashflow

Other Publications

- **EPP Resources Fact Sheet**
- **Cooperative Contracts Factsheet**
- **Annual Responsible Purchasing Trends Reports**
- **Model Responsible Purchasing Report**



Responsible Purchasing Trends

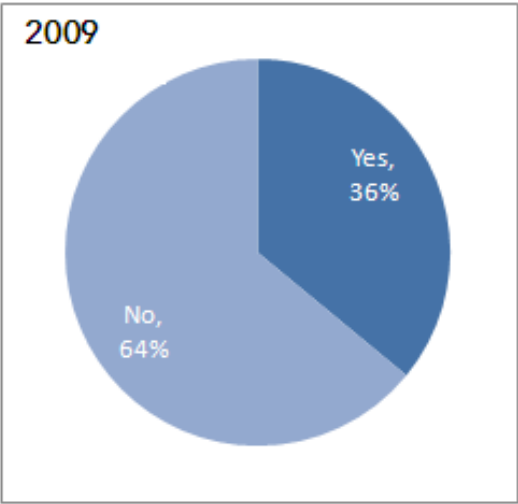
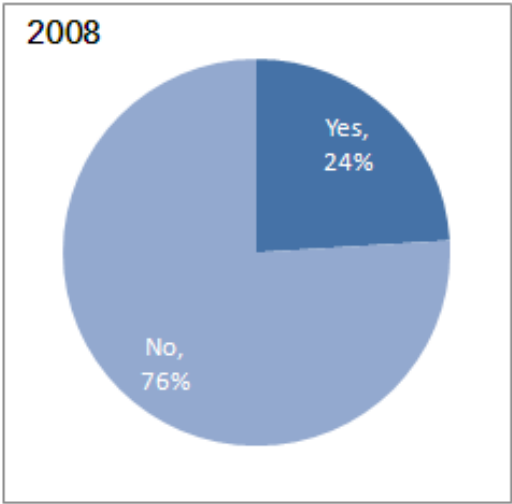
Recognized/Used Standards, Eco-labels & Certifications

Standard/Certification	Recognized / Used
ENERGY STAR	99% / 94%
LEED	97% / 85%
Green Seal	95% / 76%
EPEAT	89% / 69%
EcoLogo (Environmental Choice)	88% / 55%
Fair Trade Certified	88% / 36%
USDA Organic	86% / 46%
FSC (Forest Stewardship Council)	84% / 62%
EnergyGuide	79% / 51%
CRI Green Label	78% / 42%
CFPA (Chlorine-Free Products Association)	76% / 32%



Model Responsible Purchasing Report

Does your organization publish a report on your green purchasing initiatives?
Answers shown in percentages of respondents.



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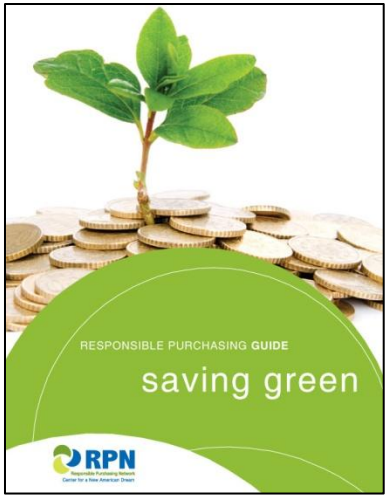
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
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Dare Wenzler, Director of Business Development at Carbonfund.org, described their new CarbonFree eco-label, which is the first certification for carbon-neutral products in the United States. Carbonfund.org provides carbon offsets to individuals, businesses and organizations to reduce and offset their climate impact.

This webinar recording will help purchasing agents and policy-makers who are seeking to reduce their organization's carbon footprint as well as their budget

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- **Creating “green” purchasing specifications**
- **Reviewing bid responses**
- **Facilitating cooperative contracting opportunities for green building products or services**
- **Other green building initiatives with measurable results**



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Check appropriate box	1 year	2 year	3 year
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$950	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,350
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Agency (based on population)			
5 million or less	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$475	<input type="checkbox"/> \$675
More than 5 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$950	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,350
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Municipal Agency (based on population)			
15,000 or less	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$475	<input type="checkbox"/> \$675
15,001-250,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$350	<input type="checkbox"/> \$665	<input type="checkbox"/> \$945
More than 250,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$950	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,350
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational Institution (based on student population)			
5,000 or less	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$475	<input type="checkbox"/> \$675
More than 5,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$950	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,350
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Student and Nonprofit			
Nonprofit organization	<input type="checkbox"/> \$175	<input type="checkbox"/> \$330	<input type="checkbox"/> \$470
Student	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$95	<input type="checkbox"/> \$135
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business Membership (based on annual sales)			
Less than \$10 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$350	<input type="checkbox"/> \$665	<input type="checkbox"/> \$945
\$10 million - \$100 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$950	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,350
\$101 million - \$1 billion	<input type="checkbox"/> \$700	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,330	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,890
More than \$1 billion	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,850	<input type="checkbox"/> \$4,050

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“I pledge that my organization will strive to use its purchasing power to maximize environmental stewardship, protect human health, and support local and global sustainability.”

Your signature _____
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The Responsible Purchasing Network
☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express
Name _____
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Billing Address _____

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Thank You!

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- ▶ Green purchasing webinars
- ▶ Certified green products database
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- ▶ Custom green specifications
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- ▶ Cost-saving green practices