

# Let ENERGY STAR Be Your Market Advantage

### Look to ENERGY STAR to help you bring value to your customers and more sales to your organization.

Service and Product Providers (SPPs) are integral in helping commercial and industrial buildings use energy more efficiently. Partnering with ENERGY STAR provides you with access to free tools and resources to help you devise and implement energyefficient strategies that are right for your customers:

- > Use the ENERGY STAR Brand to Enhance Your Credibility: Use the nationally recognized ENERGY STAR Partner logo on your promotional materials to symbolize your commitment to delivering energy efficiency and financial savings to customers. Help customers build their reputation as environmental and social leaders through work with an ENERGY STAR SPP Partner.
- Increase Visibility: As a partner, your organization will be listed in the online ENERGY STAR SPP Directory, searchable by service, product, location, and past achievements. The Directory is one of the most viewed pages in the ENERGY STAR Web site. Benefit from the more than 27,000 searches conducted annually!
- > Gain Access to New Customers: In addition to broadening your potential customer base through the Directory, use the ENERGY STAR Partner listings to target organizations which have prioritized energy efficiency and seek help in furthering improvements in energy performance.
- > Utilize a Proven Strategy: Use the EPA Guidelines for Energy Management, a framework developed from ENERGY STAR Partner's successes, to more effectively help your customers reap the benefits of superior energy efficiency.
- > Leverage the ENERGY STAR: Help customers earn the ENERGY STAR for their top-performing buildings, which score a

75 or higher in EPA's Energy Performance Rating System for existing buildings. For new construction, use Target Finder to set realistic energy performance goals and demonstrate that a new building is "Designed to Earn the ENERGY STAR."

> Earn Recognition for Your Success in Improving Customers' Energy Performance: Get featured on the ENERGY STAR Web site through Success Stories and a listing on the Most Active

### Look to ENERGY STAR

Businesses across the economy are saving energy and experiencing remarkable financial results with the help of ENERGY STAR. On average, buildings that have earned the ENERGY STAR use 35 percent less energy and generate one-third less carbon dioxide than their industry peers.

SPP Web page. Earn 10-Point Recognition Certificates—awarded to both your organization and your customer for increasing a building's rating by 10 points or more—and apply for the ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year Award!

## Become an ENERGY STAR Service and Product Provider Partner

Join now at http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=join.spp\_agree. To learn more, visit: www.energystar.gov/sppresources, and call the ENERGY STAR Hotline at 1-888-STAR-YES.



# Learn More about the Tools and Resources ENERGY STAR Can Offer You

Use these tools and resources to strategize and quantify improvements in energy performance of your customers' facilities and to market your expertise to potential customers.

- > EPA's Energy Performance Rating System: Measure and track energy consumption using the free, online Portfolio Manager tool. Help customers prioritize opportunities for improvement, set performance goals, and benchmark progress by rating a facility against similar buildings nationwide. Encourage customers' top performing buildings, which earn a 75 or higher, to apply for the ENERGY STAR.
- > Building Manual: Use this Web-based guide to help you plan and implement profitable energy-saving building upgrades. You can maximize energy savings by sequentially following this comprehensive and strategic approach for improving energy efficiency in new and existing buildings.
- > New Building Design: EPA's Commercial Building Design Guidance offers methods to incorporate energy efficiency considerations in each step of the design process. Using Target Finder, set tangible, realistic energy performance goals and

receive a rating for the intended energy use in design projects. Earn the "Designed to Earn the ENERGY STAR" recognition for designs achieving a rating of 75 or higher.

- > Financial Evaluation Tools: Access the Financial Value Calculator, Building Upgrade Value Calculator, and Cash Flow Opportunity Calculator to quantify and communicate potential financial returns in persuasive business terms.
- > Service and Product Provider Online Directory: Building owners and managers use this Directory to locate providers of services and products to improve their energy efficiency. Your listing will include a company profile, areas of expertise, markets served, and contact information. Information in the Directory is updated annually to ensure the most current content and to maximize the Directory's effectiveness as a business expansion tool.
- > Other Online Directories: Utilize the Professional Engineer Directory to help customers obtain verification for the ENERGY STAR label application. Locate Special Offers and Rebates for customers on the ENERGY STAR Web site and purchase or list ENERGY STAR products at http://www.quantityquotes.net.
- > Communications Materials: Promote your partnership status and demonstrate your expertise in bringing savings and added value to customers. Find sample press releases, cobranding posters and more in the Challenge Toolkit. Also use customizable ENERGY STAR marketing templates to market your services and products to specific energy users!

#### Help Your Clients Improve Their Bottom Line through Energy Efficiency

**Healthcare:** Each dollar saved by a non-profit healthcare organization through better energy performance is equivalent to generating up to \$20 in new revenues for hospitals or \$10 for medical offices. That means that undertaking an energy efficiency project with a net present-value cost of \$20,000 can deliver up to \$400,000 in new revenues per year over the lifetime of the equipment.

**Hospitality:** Through a strategic approach to energy efficiency, a 10 percent reduction in energy consumption would have the same financial effect as increasing the average daily room rate (ADR) by \$0.62 in limited-service hotels and \$1.35 in full-service hotels.

**Office Buildings:** Energy use represents one-third of typical operating budgets of office buildings. If a 300,000 square foot office building pays \$2 per square foot in energy costs, then a 10 percent reduction in energy consumption is equal to an additional \$60,000 of net operating income. At a 6% capitalization rate, this results in a potential asset value boost of \$1 million!

**Supermarkets:** For the average supermarket, a 10 percent reduction in energy costs can have the effect of raising net profit margins by as much as 16 percent and increasing sales per square foot by \$44.

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