

Introduction

Launched in 2000, EPA's National Environmental Performance Track is a partnership program that recognizes and drives environmental excellence by encouraging facilities with strong environmental records to go above and beyond their legal requirements. Performance Track members partner with EPA to set public, measurable goals that improve the quality of our nation's air, water, and land. In return, EPA provides opportunities for regulatory and administrative benefits, offers public recognition and networking opportunities, as well as other benefits. Members include both independent facilities and those associated with major corporations, small businesses, and public-sector facilities that are steering a course toward environmental excellence — and setting an example for others to follow. As of May 2008, Performance Track has over 500 member facilities.

Twenty-three states have active performance-based programs similar to Performance Track. In fact, some state programs predate Performance Track, a testament to the pioneering spirit of EPA's state partners. Performance Track and state performance-based programs share certain features: an emphasis on sustained compliance, EMS development or maintenance, beyond-compliance environmental goals, annual reporting on progress, and positive community interaction. Specific membership criteria typically vary by state, with many states organizing programs on a tiered basis. Entry-level tiers target facilities that are new to these programs and offer mostly recognition and technical assistance benefits. Higher tiers set progressively more rigorous criteria and offer additional benefits to members.

The purpose of this directory is to provide a consolidated summary of information on active state performance-based programs. For each state, the directory provides: launch date, program levels, criteria overview, benefits overview, program website, and contact information. Additionally, the Directory notes where EPA and the state have entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to formalize program collaboration. The Directory also indicates where Performance Track and a state program use a joint application and/or annual reporting format.

A one-page summary of the Performance Track program is followed by parallel summaries of each active state program and a list of those additional states that currently are in the process of developing performance-based programs. Contact information also is provided for Performance Track Regional Coordinators. Finally, the Directory includes an overall list of performance-based program contacts for states that have or are developing a program as well as for states that do not offer their own performance-based programs.

The information contained in this Directory is strictly a brief summary of the Performance Track and state programs. If you are interested in understanding the specifics of a particular program or applying for program membership, please visit the state program website or contact the listed state program representative. For those interested in further information on Performance Track, please visit the program website at www.epa.gov/performancetrack or contact the appropriate Performance Track Regional Coordinator.

Note that the information contained in this Directory will be updated periodically to reflect changes in programs. Readers are encouraged to report any corrections to Eileen McGovern, Performance Track State Liaison, at 202-566-2881. The current version of this document is posted on the Performance Track website.



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U.S. EPA

National Environmental Performance Track

Launched: 2000

Levels: Environmental Performance Track
Corporate Leader

Membership Criteria:

Record of Sustained Compliance
Fully Implemented EMS
EMS Self-assessment and Independent Audit
Demonstration of Past Environmental Achievements
Future Performance Goals
Community Outreach
Annual Reporting

Benefits Overview:

Recognition
Member Certificate and Use of Logo
Networking and Mentoring Opportunities
Application and Reporting Coordination with State Programs
Considered as factor for Socially Responsible Investments
Low Priority for Routine federal EPA Inspections
Extended Hazardous Waste Accumulation Time
Reduced RCRA Self-Inspections
Reduced MACT Reporting
Expedited NPDES Permit Reviews
Favorable Loan Terms for Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program

Program website: <http://www.epa.gov/performancetrack>

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ARIZONA

Arizona Environmental Performance Track

Launched: 2005

Levels: Environmental Performance Track

Joint application available

Membership Criteria:

Record of Sustained Compliance
Fully Implemented EMS
EMS Self-assessment and Independent Audit
Pollution Prevention Program
Demonstration of Past Environmental Achievements
Future Performance Goals
Community Outreach
Commitment to Environmentally Preferable Purchasing
Annual Reporting

Benefits Overview:

Recognition
Low Priority for Routine Inspections and Multi-media Inspections
Enforcement and Inspection Notice
Enforcement Discretion for Non-Significant Violations
Consolidated Reporting and Reduced Reporting Requirements
Permit Flexibility and Multi-Media Permits
Extended Hazardous Waste Accumulation Time (PT Members only)
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)
Participation in Pilot Projects
Involvement in Discussions Regarding Future Program Incentives

Program website: <http://www.azdeq.gov/function/about/track.html>

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COLORADO

Colorado Environmental Leader

Launched: 1998

Levels: Bronze Achievers
Silver Partners
Gold Leaders
Platinum Stewards (under development)

Performance Track MOA; joint application available

Membership Criteria:

Bronze Achievers: Record of Sustained Compliance
One or More Significant Beyond Compliance Achievement

Silver Partners: Record of Sustained Compliance
Commitment to Develop an EMS

Gold Leaders: Record of Sustained Compliance
Fully Implemented EMS
EMS Self-assessments and Independent Audit
Demonstration of Past Environmental Achievement
Future Performance Goals
Community Outreach
Annual Reporting

Benefits Overview:

Bronze Achievers: Mentoring and Networking Opportunities
Award and Use of Logo
Reduced Fees for Training
Consolidated Inspections
Single Point of Contact

Silver Partners: *All of the Above and:*
EMS Development Assistance

Gold Leaders: *All of the Above and:*
Collaborative Compliance Approaches
Participation in Development of EMS Legislation
Consolidated Permitting/Modified Term/Priority Permitting
Extended RCRA Accumulation Time (PT Members only)
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)

Program website: <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/el/elp/index.html>

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GEORGIA

Partnership for a Sustainable Georgia

Launched: 2004

*Levels: Champion (Advocate Tier)
Bronze
Silver
Gold*

Performance Track MOA; joint application available*

Membership Criteria:

- Bronze:** Environmental Policy Statement and Environmental Team
Commitment to Develop Planning Elements of EMS
Annual Reporting on Progress
- Silver:** *All of the above and:*
Record of Sustained Compliance
Commitment to Fully Implement an EMS
Procedures for Communicating Environmental Information to Public
Community Outreach
Supply Chain Activities
Annual Reporting (on at least two measures, one for small businesses)
- Gold:** *All of the above and:*
Independent EMS Audit
Fully Implemented EMS
Additional Community Outreach and Supply Chain activities
Mentorship Activities
Sustainability Activities
Annual Reporting (on at least four measures, two for small businesses)

Benefits Overview:

- Bronze:** Recognition and Logo Use
Mentoring
Free EMS Training
Free On-site Technical Assistance
- Silver:** *All of the above and:*
Priority Permit Review and Response to Regulatory Questions*
Low Priority for Routine Inspections (PT Members only)*
Extended RCRA Accumulation Time (PT Members only)*
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members Only)*
Access to Networking Forums with Regulatory Division Management*
- Gold:** *All of the above and:*
Reduced Hazardous Waste Fees*

Program website: http://www.p2ad.org/documents/pp_home.html

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**Not available to Partners enrolled in the Sustainable Office Toolkit program track.*



IDAHO

Idaho GEMStars

Launched: 1999

Levels: Initial Tier
Middle Tier
Highest Tier

Membership Criteria:

Initial Tier: Record of Sustained Compliance
Pollution Prevention Policy
Internal or External Assessment of Pollution Prevention Opportunities
Demonstration of Past Environmental Achievements in Six out of Thirteen Areas
Outreach to Community or Customers
Environmental Reporting every Four Years

Middle Tier: *All of the above and:*
Mentor other businesses/organizations on GEMStars Program
Implement Sector-specific "Best P2 Practices" or Demonstrate Additional Specific Environmental Achievements

Highest Tier: *All of the above and:*
Nomination from Sector-Specific Peers
Leadership in Pollution Prevention

Benefits Overview:

All Tiers: Networking and Sharing of Information
Recognition and Logo Use

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INDIANA

Indiana Environmental Stewardship Program

Launched: 2006

Levels: Indiana Environmental Stewardship Program (ESP)

Joint application and reporting available

Membership Criteria:

Record of Sustained Compliance
Fully Implemented EMS
EMS Self-assessment
Commitment to One New Performance Initiative During Each Year of Membership
Annual Reporting

Benefits Overview:

Recognition and Use of ESP Logo
Networking Events
Single Point of Contact
Low Priority and Advanced Notice for Routine Inspections
Expedited and Flexible Permits and Extended Permit Terms
Reduced Reporting Frequency
Alternative Compliance and Monitoring Strategies
Assignment of Same Inspector and Permit Writer
Extended Hazardous Waste Storage (PT Members only)
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)

Program website: <http://www.in.gov/idem/prevention/esp/>

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Launched: 2005

Levels: Advocate (non-regulated entities only)
Partner (regulated facilities)
Leader (regulated facilities)
Master (regulated facilities)

Membership Criteria:

Advocate: Commit to one voluntary project each year

Partner: Commit to one voluntary project each year
Develop an environmental management plan
Conduct a self-assessment

Leader: Commit to three voluntary projects each year
Implement an environmental management plan
Conduct a self-assessment

Master: Commit to five voluntary projects each year; at least one must be an outreach or educational activity
Demonstrate past environmental achievement
Implement an environmental management plan
Conduct a third-party assessment
Agree to mentor another member, if requested

Benefits Overview:

Public Recognition and Logo Use
Mentoring and Networking Opportunities
Technical Assistance
Priority permitting (Leader and Master members only)

Program website: <http://www.kyexcel.ky.gov/>

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LOUISIANA

Louisiana Environmental Leadership Program

Launched: 2000

Levels: Louisiana Environmental Leadership Program

Membership Criteria:

EMS

Commitment to a Pollution Prevention or Community Outreach Program or Project

Demonstration of Past Environmental Improvements

Community References (for Community Outreach Projects only)

Annual Reporting

Benefits Overview:

Public Recognition

Networking Opportunities

Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)

Program website:

<http://www.deq.state.la.us/portal/tabid/89/Default.aspx>

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Smart Tracks for Exceptional Performers and Upward Performers (STEP-UP)

***Note:** Maine is in the process of revising and re-branding the STEP-UP program in 2008. The new program will be called the Environmental Leaders of Maine.

Originally Launched: 2000

Levels: Start-up
Smart Production Track
Sustainability Track

Performance Track MOA

Membership Criteria:

***Criteria are under revision.**

Benefits Overview:

Recognition
Enhanced Relationship with DEP
Mentoring
Networking at semi-annual meetings

Program website: <http://www.maine.gov/dep/innovation/stepup/>

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MICHIGAN

Clean Corporate Citizen (C3)

Launched: 1997

Levels: Michigan Clean Corporate Citizen (C3)

Membership Criteria:

Record of Sustained Compliance
Fully Implemented EMS
Pollution Prevention Policy and Program
Annual Reporting

Benefits Overview:

Recognition and Logo Use
Permit Flexibility
Expedited Permits
Reduced Monitoring and Reporting
Single Point of Contact
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)

Program website:

http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-135-3307_3666_4134---,00.html

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MISSISSIPPI

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Launched: 2008

Levels: Associate
Steward
Leader

Performance Track MOA

Membership Criteria:

Associate: Environmental Management Plan
One Active or Completed Environmental Enhancement Project
Annual Reporting on Progress
Conduct a Self Assessment

Steward: *All of the above and:*
One Additional Active or Completed Environmental Enhancement Project

Leader: *All of the above and:*
Independent EMS Audit
Fully Implemented EMS
Record of Sustained Compliance
One Additional Active or Completed Environmental Enhancement Project
Community Service or Mentorship Activities

Benefits Overview:

Associate and Steward: Recognition and Logo Use
Listing on MDEQ Website
Press Release
Annual Awards Eligibility
Annual Members' Meetings

Leader: *All of the above and:*
Press Release with Picture with Governor or MDEQ Director
Extended Hazardous Waste Storage Time (PT Members only)
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members Only)

Program website: http://www.deq.state.ms.us/MDEQ.nsf/page/OPC_enHance?OpenDocument

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MISSOURI

Missouri Environmental
Management Partnership

Launched: 2002

Levels: Partner
Certified
Advanced
Certified Advanced

Membership Criteria:

Partner: Implementation of Basic EMS
EMS Self-assessment
Annual Reporting

Certified: *All of the above and:*
Independent EMS Audit

Advanced: *Criteria for Partner Tier and:*
Pollution Prevention Plan Defining Beyond-compliance Standards
Community Outreach and Reporting

Certified Advanced: *Criteria for the Certified and Advanced Tiers.*

Benefits Overview:

Partner: Recognition and Logo Use
Flexible or Consolidated Permitting
Expedited Permitting
Streamlined Reporting
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)
Low Priority for Routine Inspections (PT Members only)
Extended Hazardous Waste Accumulation Time (PT Members only)

Higher Tiers: *All of the above and:*
Consideration of Cooperative Permit Measures

Program website: <http://www.dnr.mo.gov/env/memp/index.html>

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NEW HAMPSHIRE

Environmental Leadership Initiative

Launched: 2007

Levels: Aspiring Leader
Leader (Under Development)

Membership Criteria:

Aspiring Leader: Record of Sustained Compliance
Annual Reporting
Commitment to Three Projects or “Best Practices” Focused on State Environmental Priorities (two for small businesses, one for businesses with fewer than 10 employees)

Benefits Overview:

Aspiring Leader: Recognition
Mentoring and Networking Opportunities
Technical Assistance

Program website: <http://www.des.state.nh.us/eli/>

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NEW MEXICO

GreenZia Environmental Excellence Program

Launched: 1998

Levels: Commitment
Achievement
Excellence

Membership Criteria:

Commitment: Commitment to Environmental Improvement

Achievement: *All of the Above and:*
Working Towards Implementation of EMS
Provide Trend Data for Significant Impacts
Community Reporting
Outreach to Suppliers, Customers, and Vendors

Excellence: *All of the Above and:*
Record of Sustained Compliance
Demonstrated Environmental Results
Fully Implemented EMS

Benefits Overview:

All Levels: Networking Opportunities
Recognition and Logo Use
EMS Technical Assistance
Access to Experts
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)

Program website: http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/Green_Zia_website/

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NEW YORK

Environmental Leaders

Launched: Soft Launch with PT Members Spring/Summer 2008; Full Launch Fall 2008

*Levels: Entry Tier
Leadership Tier (State and State/National Entry Options)*

Membership Criteria:

Entry Tier: Record of Sustained Compliance
Develop EMS
Future Performance Goals based on assessment against Leadership Tier criteria.
Develop Community Outreach Program
Annual Reporting

Leader Tiers: *All of the above and:*
Fully Implemented EMS
EMS Independent Audit
Past Environmental Achievements
Additional Future Performance Goals
Implement Community Outreach Program

Benefits Overview:

Entry Tier: Listing on NYSDEC's Website
Priority for Technical Assistance

Leader Tiers: *All of the above and:*
Recognition at NYSDEC Event
Logo Use
Exclusive Category in the NYSDEC's Environmental Excellence Awards
Single Point of Contact
Prior Coordination of the Schedule and Scope of Routine Inspections

Program website: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/public/939.html>

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NORTH CAROLINA

NC Environmental Stewardship Initiative

Launched: 2002

Levels: Environmental Stewardship Initiative (ESI) - Partner
ESI - Rising Steward
ESI - Steward

Membership Criteria:

Partner: Commitment to Establish Environmental Goals
Commitment to Developing a Fully-Functional EMS
Annual Reporting

Rising Steward: *All of the above and:*
Record of Sustained Compliance
Measurable Environmental Goals
Fully-functional Mature EMS

Steward: *All of the above and:*
Mentoring of Partners and Rising Stewards
Documentation of EMS Integration with Core Business Functions
Community Outreach and Reporting
Aggressive Environmental Goals
Demonstration of Going Beyond Compliance

Benefits Overview:

Partner and Rising Steward: Recognition
Technical Assistance and Training
Networking and Mentorship
Single Point of Contact
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)
Coverage under EPA and DENR Self-Reporting Policies

Steward: *All of the above and:*
Participation in Forum and Advisory Board
Established Time Frames for Permit Decisions
Consideration for Regulatory Incentives
Use of Steward Logo

Program website: <http://www.p2pays.org/esi/>

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OKLAHOMA

Environmental Performance & Recognition Program

Launched: 2001

Levels: Commitment
Achievement
Excellence

Membership Criteria:

Commitment and Achievement: Record of Sustained Compliance
Commitment to Implementing a Pollution Prevention Program

Excellence: *All of the above and:*
Fully Implemented EMS

Benefits Overview:

All Tiers: Recognition and Logo Use
Independent Assessment of the Organization's Environmental Performance
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)

Program website: <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/csdnew/EPRP/index.htm>

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OREGON

Green Permits Program

Launched: 1999

Levels: Participant
Achiever
Leader

Membership Criteria:

Participant: Record of Sustained Compliance
Basic EMS
EMS Self-assessment
Demonstration of Past Environmental Achievement
Stakeholder Involvement
Annual Report

Achiever: *All of the Above and:*
Fully Implemented EMS and Independent Audit
Extensive Stakeholder Involvement

Leader: *All of the Above and:*
EMS and Stakeholder Involvement related to Life-Cycle Impacts

Benefits Overview:

Participant: Recognition
EMS Technical Assistance and Expert Referral
Single Point of Contact
Enforcement Discretion
Low Priority for Routine Inspections (PT Members only)

Achiever: *All of the Above and:*
Alternative Compliance Strategies
Flexible Permit Conditions and Permit Waivers
Priority Permitting
Streamlined Reporting

Leader: *All of the Above and:*
Tailored Regulatory Relationship

Program website:

<http://www.deq.state.or.us/programs/sustainability/greenpermits.htm>

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SOUTH CAROLINA

South Carolina Environmental Excellence Program

Launched: 1996

Levels: Environmental Excellence Program

Membership Criteria:

Record of Sustained Compliance
Commitment to Establish an EMS
Measurable Environmental Targets
Community Outreach

Benefits Overview:

Public Recognition and Awards
Networking
Mentoring and Technical Assistance
Regulatory Flexibility
Extended Hazardous Waste Accumulation Time
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)

Program website: <http://www.scdhec.net/environment/admin/CWM/SCEEP/>

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TENNESSEE

*Tennessee Pollution
Prevention Partnership (TP3)*

Launched: 2000

Levels: Prospect
Pledge
Partner
Performer

Performance Track MOA

Membership Criteria:

Prospect: Interest in Pollution Prevention

Pledge: Commitment to Initiate Pollution Prevention Practices

Partner: Environmental Policy Statement
Development of a Five-project Pollution Prevention Plan
One Environmental Success Story
Report an Environmental Success Story and Outreach Activities every Three Years

Performer: *All Partner Criteria and:*
Record of Sustained Compliance
Completion of Five Environmental Success Stories
Procedures for Communicating Environmental Information to Public
Fully Implemented EMS
Mentoring of another facility or organization
Annual Reporting of an Environmental Success Story, Outreach, and Mentoring

Benefits Overview:

Pledge: Recognition
Networking
Information regarding pollution prevention and environmental stewardship

Partner: *All of the above and:*
Logo Use
Special Contact at TDEC
Discounts for environmental training classes

Performer: *All of the above and:*
Special consideration at Tennessee environmental conferences
Extended Hazardous Waste Accumulation Time (PT Members only)
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)

Program website: <http://state.tn.us/environment/ea/tp3/>

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Launched: 1998

Levels: Bronze
Silver
Gold
Platinum

Performance Track MOA, joint application available

Membership Criteria:

- Bronze:** Record of Sustained Compliance
Commitment to One Future Performance Commitment
Commitment to One Community Environmental Project
Annual Reporting
- Silver:** Fully Implemented EMS
Reporting on One Future Performance Commitment
Reporting on One Compliance Assurance Goal
- Gold:** *All of the Above and:*
Reporting on an additional Future Performance Commitment (2 total)
Reporting on an additional Community Environmental Project (2 total)
- Platinum:** *All of the Above and:*
Reporting on an additional Future Performance Commitment (4 total)
Reporting on an additional Community Environmental Project (3 total)

Benefits Overview:

- Bronze:** Recognition and Logo Use
Reduced Training Fees
Technical Assistance and Networking
- Silver:** *All of the Above and:*
Single Point of Contact
10% Credit on State Compliance History Score
TCEQ Reduced Inspections and Advance Notice on a case-by-case basis
- Gold:** *All of the Above and:*
Customized Recognition
Expedited Permitting
Exempt from Waste Minimization/Source Reduction Planning Requirements
- Platinum:** *All of the Above and:*
Reduced Reporting and Monitoring for Discharge Monitoring Provisions
Low Priority for Routine EPA Inspections
Reduced MACT Reporting

Program website: <http://www.cleantexas.org/>

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UTAH
Clean Utah

Launched: 2004

Levels: Entry Level
Leader Level
Partner Level

Performance Track MOA, joint application available

Membership Criteria:

Entry Level: Record of Sustained Compliance
Commitment to Develop EMS

Leader Level: *All of the Above and:*
Fully Implemented EMS
Independent EMS Audit
Commitment to Two Environmental Projects
Commitment to Community Outreach
Commitment to Mentor other Clean Utah Facilities
Annual Reporting

Partner Level: *All of the Above and:*
Three Complete EMS Cycles
Commitment to Additional Environmental Projects

Benefits Overview:

Entry Level: Recognition
Participate in Annual Meeting

Leader and Partner Levels: *All of the Above and:*
Logo Use
Expedited Permitting
Reduced Oversight/Low Inspection Priority
Self Audit
Member may propose incentive for consideration

Program website: <http://www.deq.utah.gov/cleanutah/>

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VERMONT

Vermont Business Environmental Partnership

Launched: 1998

Levels: Environmental Partner
Environmental Leader

Membership Criteria:

Partner: Adoption of an Environmental Policy Statement
Designation of an Environmental Team/Representative
Environmental Assessment
Energy Efficiency, Prevention, Reuse, and Recycling Measures
Implementation of One Best Management Practice
Mentoring

Leader: *All of the Above and:*
Record of Sustained Compliance
Environmental Management Plan

Benefits Overview:

Certificate and Logo Use
Recognition

Program website: <http://www.vbep.org/>

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VIRGINIA

*Virginia Environmental
Excellence Program*

Launched: 2000

Levels: Environmental Enterprise (E2)
Exemplary Environmental Enterprise (E3)
Extraordinary Environmental Enterprise (E4)

Performance Track MOA, joint application and reporting available

Membership Criteria:

- E2:** Environmental Policy Statement
Identification of Environmental Impacts and Establishment of Targets
Pollution Prevention Program
Annual Reporting (on at least one environmental measure)
Record of Sustained Compliance
- E3:** *All of the above and:*
Fully Implemented EMS
EMS Self-assessment
Procedures for Communicating Environmental Information to Public
Annual Reporting (on at least two environmental measures)
- E4:** *All of the above and:*
Independent EMS Audit
One Full EMS Cycle Implemented
Annual Reporting (on at least three environmental measures)

Benefits Overview:

- E2:** Recognition and Logo Use
Participant Association
Annual Waste and Water Permit Fee Discounts
EMS Technical Assistance
Single Point of Contact
Networking Opportunities
- E3:** *All of the above and:*
Alternative Compliance Methods
- E4:** *All of the above and:*
Extended Hazardous Waste Accumulation Time (PT Members only)
Reduced MACT Reporting (PT Members only)
Low Priority for Routine Inspections (PT Members only)

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Launched: Initiated in 1995 and legislation passed in 2004.

Levels: Tier 1
Tier 2
Charters

Performance Track MOA

Membership Criteria:

Tier 1: Record of Sustained Compliance
Commitment to Implement EMS
Commitment to Continual Environmental Improvement
Annual Performance Reviews

Tier 2: *All of the above and:*
Additional Compliance Requirements
Fully Implemented EMS

Charters: Negotiated terms and conditions for multiple parties.

Benefits Overview:

Tier 1: Recognition
Publicity
Logo Use
Single Point of Contact
Low Priority for Routine Inspections (upon EMS implementation)
Limited Civil Immunity

Tier 2: *All of the Above and:*
Customized Participation Contracts that may include:
Permit and Decision Streamlining
Customized Permit Conditions
Negotiated Monitoring and Reporting Procedures
Other Flexibility and Innovation Proportional to Superior Performance

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