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**U.S. EPA SELECTS 32 NEW MEMBERS FOR PARTICIPATION IN
NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE TRACK,
RECOGNIZES TOP ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMERS**

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Christie Whitman today announced the acceptance of 32 new members into the National Environmental Performance Track program. Launched just 18 months ago, Performance Track now has 280 members who are recognized for their achievements, as well as for a commitment to top environmental management and to continuously improving their environmental performance.

“Through Performance Track, EPA recognizes and rewards businesses and public facilities that demonstrate strong environmental performance beyond current requirements,” Whitman said. “While building a collaborative relationship with EPA, Performance Track participants realize environmental results beyond what could be achieved through regulation and enforcement alone. Their efforts will be of significant help as we look towards our ultimate goal: cleaner air, purer water and better protected land.”

The National Environmental Performance Track was designed by the EPA to recognize and encourage top environmental performers -- those companies and communities that voluntarily go beyond compliance with regulatory requirements to attain levels of environmental performance that benefit the environment, people and communities.

Building on previous innovation programs with states, businesses, and community and environmental groups, Performance Track emphasizes continuous environmental improvement, effective state/EPA relationships, and the need to inform and involve citizens and communities.

The newest Performance Track members have made environmental commitments to reduce water consumption, reduce emissions of particulate matter, increase recycling and reduce total solid waste. Members agree to meet these commitments within the next three years.

The new members add their efforts to the already substantial commitments made by existing members. So far, over their initial three years of participation, for example, Performance Track facilities are committed to reducing solid waste by 225 million pounds; lowering emissions of greenhouse gases by 26 million pounds; recycling or reusing more than five million pounds of materials; and reducing emissions of volatile organic compounds by 98,000 pounds.

Performance Track’s member facilities represent both small businesses and large companies from the chemical, electronic, automotive, dry cleaning and pharmaceutical industries, among others. The new members include additional facilities from companies already participating (such as Dupont, International Paper, IBM, 3M, and Rohm and Haas) as well as from companies new to the program (such as PPG Industries, Yamaha Music Manufacturing, and Marathon Ashland). They also include a public facility—NASA’s John C. Stennis Space Center.

New Performance Track Members

Arkansas

International Paper - Pine Bluff Mill
Pine Bluff, AR

California

Rohm and Haas - La Mirada Plant
La Mirada, CA

Thermal Media Group and Reprographics Supply Group
Santa Ana, CA

Georgia

Yamaha Music Manufacturing, Inc.
Thomaston, GA

Illinois

Borg Warner Air/Fluid Systems
Dixon, IL

Indiana

Digital Audio Disc Corporation
Terre Haute, IN

Nishikawa Standard Company - New Haven Facility
Ft. Wayne, IN

Tetra Pak Materials, LP - Ft. Wayne
Ft. Wayne, IN

Tetra Pak Processing Systems Americas, Inc.
Greenwood, IN

Iowa

E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Co., Inc.
Fort Madison, IA

Kentucky

Hitachi Automotive Products
Harrodsburg, KY

Louisiana

Louisiana Refining Division - Garyville Refinery
Garyville, LA

Mississippi

John C. Stennis Space Center
Stennis Space Center, MS

New Jersey

Ideal Jacobs Corporation
Maplewood, NJ

New York

CPS Corporation
Dunkirk, NY

Dresser-Rand Wellsville Operations
Wellsville, NY

IBM - Thomas J. Watson Research Center
Yorktown Heights, NY

Loctite Electronics
Olean, NY

Nucor Steel Auburn, Inc.
Auburn, NY

North Carolina
Asmo North Carolina, Inc.
Statesville, NC

Ohio
LDM Technologies, Inc.- Byesville
Byesville, OH

Pennsylvania
PPG Industries Inc - Works 8
Meadville, PA

South Carolina
Palmetto Landfill and Recycling Center
Wellford, SC

Richland Landfill
Elgin, SC

Oakridge Landfill
Dorchester, SC

Hickory Hill Landfill and Recycling Center
Ridgeland, SC

Eastover Mill
Eastover, SC

Tennessee
Dura Automotive Systems
Gordonsville, TN

Texas
3M Austin Research Boulevard Site
Austin, TX

Chevron Phillips Chemical Co., Cedar Bayou Plant
Baytown, Texas

Virginia
Waynesboro Plant
E. I. DuPont de Nemours and Co., Inc.
Waynesboro, VA

Wisconsin
Epic Resins
Palmyra, WI