



EPA Designates Rockwell Collins as a Performance Track Corporate Leader

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) National Environmental Performance Track program recently announced a new corporate level of membership – the Performance Track Corporate Leader designation. Historically a facility-based program that recognizes “beyond compliance” behavior, this new designation recognizes companies that are substantially involved in Performance Track at the facility level and demonstrate environmental excellence at the corporate level. This fact sheet highlights the accomplishments and commitments of Rockwell Collins, one of the first three companies designated a Performance Track Corporate Leader. Rockwell Collins provides design, production, and support of communications and aviation electronics solutions for government and commercial customers. To learn more about the Performance Track Corporate Leader designation, visit <http://www.epa.gov/performance-track/corporate-leaders/>.

Why was Rockwell Collins selected? Performance Track designated Rockwell Collins a Corporate Leader based on its long-standing commitment to corporate environmental leadership, including:

- ◆ **Performance Track Participation:** Eight of Rockwell Collins' 14 major U.S. facilities (57%) are Performance Track members. Two smaller Rockwell Collins facilities are also members.
- ◆ **Innovative Leading Practices:** Rockwell Collins' history of environmental leadership includes the following:
 - Incorporating a “Lean Electronics” philosophy into the way Rockwell Collins does business. Since 1998, Lean Electronics has fostered a culture in the company that values waste elimination, innovation, and continual improvement.
 - Implementing a process to evaluate and manage environmental considerations in research and development and product and process design. Through this process, environmental staff members collaborate with manufacturing and engineering groups to evaluate all actions, tasks, and materials required to take a product or service from inception to delivery, including environmental impacts.
- ◆ **Supply Chain Performance:** Rockwell Collins established a Lean Supply Chain system where it encourages suppliers to eliminate waste and implement environmental management systems.
- ◆ **Emphasis on Corporate Governance:** The Senior Vice President of Operations is responsible for environmental management and reports directly to the President/CEO of the company. The CEO and all Operations leaders receive quarterly updates on environmental performance, in addition to conducting an annual review of company-wide environmental management.

How will Rockwell Collins continue to promote environmental excellence?

Performance Track Corporate Leaders commit to further improve their environmental performance and that of their value chains, including suppliers and customers. Rockwell Collins' future commitments as a Corporate Leader include:

- ◆ Purchasing 10,000 megawatt hours of renewable energy certificates per year. This purchase equates to a CO₂ reduction of 13.8 million pounds. This commitment includes joining EPA's Green Power Partnership.
- ◆ Reducing chemicals purchased by 20% in 2005 and 5% annually thereafter.
- ◆ Increasing facility membership in Performance Track.
- ◆ Incorporating environmental performance expectations into the existing supplier evaluation process.
- ◆ Improving environmental performance of key suppliers, including joining EPA's Green Suppliers Network.