ASHE Receives Energy Star Award



PARTNER OF THE YEAR 2003

he American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE) of the American Hospital Association received the Department of Energy's 2003 Energy Star Partner of the Year Award for Excellence in Business and Institutional Outreach. This award recognizes ASHE for the leadership role that they have taken to develop and deliver information about the benefits of sound energy management.

From speaking opportunities to a regular column in its membership magazine, ASHE is a key promoter of the Energy Star message.

"ASHE creates a link between its members and the Energy Star program. We provide our more than 6,000 members with resources to improve healthcare energy performance. This is and will continue to be a major issue for ASHE," said Bill McCully, ASHE president, "Through our partnership, ASHE and Energy Star work for a common goal, promoting energy benchmarking, discerning energy best practices, and recognizing the environmental leaders of our profession. I am proud of this award and know that in the coming years, we will continue to support the efforts and initiatives of the Energy Star program."

Partner of the Year award winners are selected from the thousands of organizations that participate in



the Energy Star program and are chosen for their commitment to energy efficiency in product manufacturing, product retailing and product promotion; home building and home improvement; business and energy management; and educating consumers.

About Energy Star

Energy Star is a voluntary labeling program introduced by the EPA to

identify and promote energy-efficient products to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The program helps businesses and individuals protect the environment through superior energy efficiency. It began with computers and monitors but has expanded to additional office equipment products and residential heating and cooling equipment. The Energy Star label is now on major appliances, office equipment, lighting, home electronics, and more. EPA has also extended the label to cover new homes and commercial and industrial buildings. Through its partnerships with more than 7,000 private and public sector organizations, the Energy Star program delivers the technical information and tools that organizations and consumers need to choose energy-efficient solutions and best management practices. (ASHIE