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Energy Star Buildings" and Green Lights' 1997 Year In Review









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CONGRATULATIONS TO ENERGY STAR BUILDINGS AND GREEN LIGHTS PARTICIPANTS:

Your partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proof that environmental protection and economic progress go hand-in-hand. Over the past seven years, Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights participants have voluntarily worked to incorporate energy-efficient technologies into current business strategies, resulting in dramatic reductions in air pollution emissions associated with global climate change, smog, and acid rain. Your leadership validates both the remarkable economic and environmental benefits of energy efficiency.

To date, ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights participants have:

- Improved building lighting for 40 percent less energy;
- Completed energy-efficient lighting and whole-building upgrades in 2.8 billion square feet of facility space;
- Prevented more than 11 billion pounds of greenhouse gas emissions per year;
- Reduced electricity use by more than 7 billion kilowatt-hours per year; and saved more than \$514 million per year in energy costs.

Your investments in energy efficiency mean less air pollution, reduced operating costs, stronger and more competitive organizations, and increased opportunities for reinvestment in the American economy.

EPA wishes to thank the Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights participants for your continuous leadership in utilizing energy-efficient technologies. Your enterprise is helping to solve the enormous problems of air pollution and global climate change in a cost-effective, commonsense way.

Carol M. Browner

Administrator

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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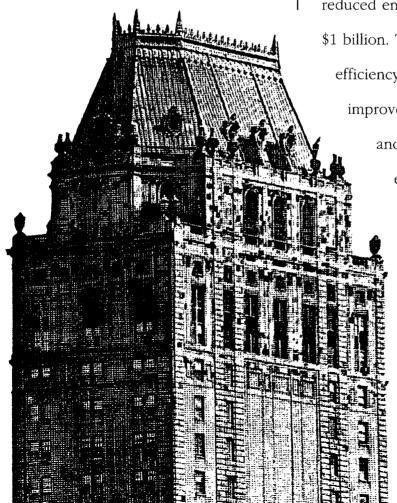
BUILDING STRONG BUSINESS STRATEGIES

ENERGY STAR Buildings
is a smart business decision.
It keeps costs down and is
good for the environment.

– Kathy Loftus Manager Energy and Regulatory Affairs Shaw's Supermarkets The "survival of the fittest" nature of business has prompted innovative ways to cut expenses and remain competitive. Since 1991, corporations, hospitals, universities, and other organizations have eliminated waste in a commonly overlooked area - energy bills. Through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Energy Star BuildingsSM and Green Lights® Partnership, more than 2,600 organizations have cumulatively reduced energy waste by almost \$1 billion. Their investments in energy efficiency have also helped to improve their work space quality and strengthen their environmental leadership.

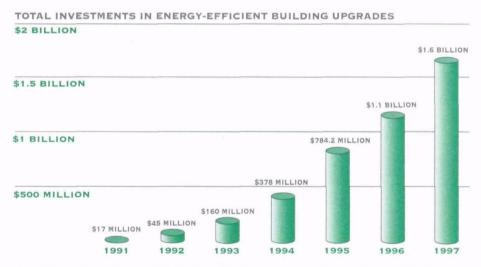
represents an important opportunity for American organizations.

The energy to run U.S.



commercial and industrial buildings costs about \$110 billion every year and produces 19 percent of U.S. carbon dioxide emissions – a major contributor to global climate change. If implemented nationally, Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights could cut cumulative energy bills by \$130 billion by 2010 and reduce carbon dioxide emissions equivalent to eliminating the pollution from more than 20 million cars over the next decade.

Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights participants set an important precedent for energy performance within the commercial and industrial marketplace. On average, every \$1 invested saves \$0.31 in energy costs and prevents the release of 6.7 pounds of carbon dioxide per year. The partnership demonstrates that the environmental and financial benefits of energy efficiency can advance any organization's mission.



ALL GRAPHS INCLUDE PARTICIPANT-REPORTED DATA AND UPGRADE ESTIMATES DETERMINED BY STATISTICAL SAMPLING OF PARTICIPANTS. ADJUSTMENTS APPLY PROGRAM AVERAGES FOR COST SAVINGS AND POLLUTION PREVENTION.

PLUGGING INTO ENERGY EFFICIENCY

from Green Lights made

joining Energy Star Buildings

an easy decision.

– Phil Shocklee Assistant Director Campus Facilities University of Missouri at Columbia ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights participation has grown to 7.5 billion square feet – 10 percent of U.S. commercial and industrial facility space. Partners include school districts, small businesses, governments, and 34 percent of Fortune 500 companies.

•ver the last two years, EPA's

partnership has expanded to help

organizations capture all energy savings

within a building and cut
energy costs by approximately
30-35 percent. Energy Star
Buildings is based on
making profitable investments
in energy efficiency and
applying a strategic approach
to building upgrades. Key
elements of the partnership

include benchmarking, monitoring real energy use, and taking advantage of system interaction.



The rate of 1997 ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights kWh savings is equal to powering all the homes in Vermont for 3.5 years.

Realizing the substantial savings

potential, Green Lights participants

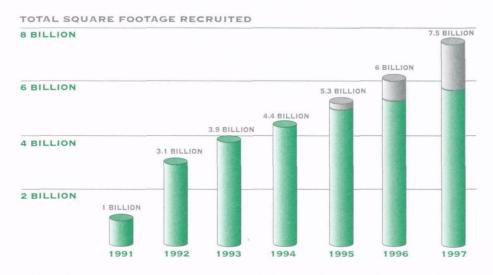
and other organizations have joined

ENERGY STAR Buildings. As a result of

current commitments, EPA expects the

partnership's energy savings to more than double in the next five years. At the same time, recruitment trends indicate even greater benefits in the next decade.





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ADDING UP THE SAVINGS

ENERGY STAR Buildings allows
us to save more than \$4 million
in energy costs each year. ""

Jim Tucker
 Associate Vice President
 University of Cincinnati

By the end of 1997, the ENERGY STAR
Buildings and Green Lights strategy was
helping to eliminate energy waste at
7 billion kilowatt-hours annually and
to save more than \$514 million per year.
Once thought of as an uncontrollable
overhead expense, energy has become
an area for high-return investment and
strategic management through the

efforts of Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights participants.

Unlike most high-yield
investments, whole-building
energy-efficiency upgrades
involve little financial risk,
while yielding a return on
investment averaging between

20-30 percent. In comparison, stock market earnings, on average, have only generated an approximate 11 percent return each year over the past 20 years.

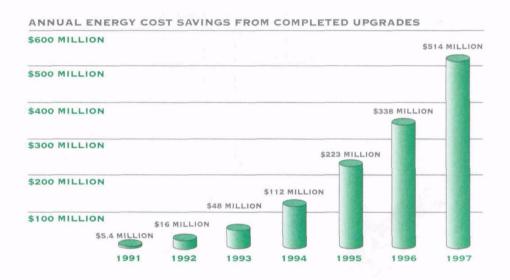


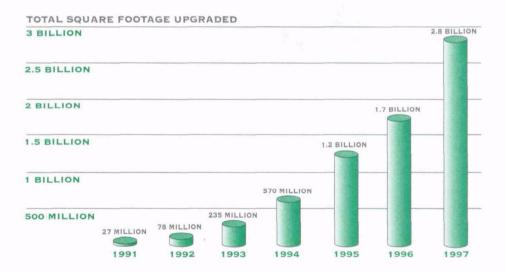


The rate of 1997 ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights energy cost savings is equal to the average annual college tuition of 23,323 students.

The benefits of strategic energy
management are becoming increasingly
important as energy markets change.
By tracking and understanding energy
needs, Energy Star Buildings and

Green Lights participants are also better positioned to negotiate during utility restructuring or with vendors of equipment and services. Energy efficiency is a smart business strategy.





It's good to know that our upgrades help keep the environment clean.

– Ken Elken Facility Management Director St. Mary's Hospital By reducing energy waste in their buildings, Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights participants prevent the release of emissions at 1.4 million metric tons of carbon equivalent (MMTCE) per year. This air pollution reduction is comparable to planting more than 1.5 million acres of trees or eliminating the pollution associated

The energy produced to

run commercial and
industrial buildings is
usually generated by
burning fossil fuels, such
as coal, oil, or natural

gas. The generation of 10,000

with more than 1 million cars.

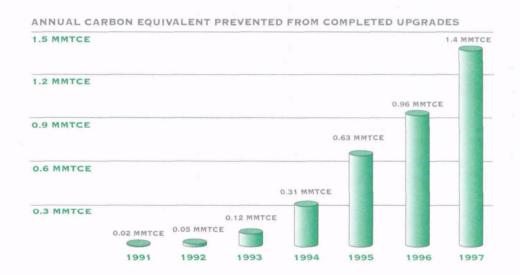
kilowatt-hours of electricity, the average energy need of an American household, also produces 7.5 tons of carbon dioxide and 25 kilograms of nitrogen oxides. Carbon dioxide



The rate of 1997 Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights carbon dioxide savings is equal to planting 1.5 million acres of trees, which would cover Central Park 1,843 times.

emissions contribute to global climate change, while nitrogen oxides are linked to urban smog and acid rain. Because the energy to run U.S. commercial and industrial buildings

accounts for 19 percent of carbon dioxide and 12 percent of nitrogen oxides emissions, eliminating energy waste in buildings significantly improves the air we breathe.



ENERGY STAR Buildings participants realize immediate benefits

BRIGHTENING THE FUTURE

after completing Green Lights, Stage One of the partnership. Fulton County, Georgia, saved 2.8 million kWh shortly after upgrading the lighting in 5 million square feet. While improving its work space, the County annually prevents the pollution equivalent to removing 420 cars from the road.

ENERGY STAR BUILDINGS AND GREEN LIGHTS PARTNERS AND ALLIES OF THE YEAR

EPA is dedicated to recognizing its participants' proactive efforts to prevent air pollution. The Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights Partnership annually distinguishes "Partners and Allies of the Year" – exemplary organizations that have combined environmental concerns with smart business decisions. As a result, the successes of these institutions are spotlighted locally, within trade organizations, and nationally. In fact, the 1997 Partners and Allies of the Year were acknowledged for their accomplishments in publications including Business Week, Fortune, and National Real Estate Investor.

THE 1998 PARTNERS AND ALLIES OF THE YEAR INCLUDE:

ENERGY STAR Buildings Partner of the Year MOBIL CORPORATION

ENERGY STAR Buildings Ally of the Year

THE TRANE COMPANY, WORLDWIDE APPLIED SYSTEMS GROUP

Corporate Partner of the Year – Green Lights

COMPAQ COMPUTER

CORPORATION

Government Partner of the Year – Green Lights

LOUISVILLE AND JEFFERSON

COUNTY METROPOLITAN

SEWER DISTRICT (MSD)

Healthcare Partner of the Year - Green Lights
ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL

Hospitality Partner of the Year – Green Lights WALT DISNEY WORLD CO.

Education Partner of the Year – Green Lights

DAVENPORT COMMUNITY

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Retail Partner of the Year – Green Lights

McDonald's

Ally of the Year - Green Lights

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER

COMPANY (AEP)

Mobil

Energy Star Buildings Partner of the Year

MOBIL CORPORATION

Mobil Corporation utilized the ENERGY STAR Buildings strategy as a road map and developed an energy management plan to reduce energy costs by \$125 million over the next five years. Mobil's energy-efficiency efforts in its facilities also annually prevent a total of over 103 million pounds of carbon dioxide, 500,000 pounds of sulfur dioxide, and 35,000 pounds of nitrogen oxides. A Charter ENERGY STAR Buildings Partner, Mobil has assisted EPA in demonstrating the viability of new energy-efficient technologies, as well as communicating the benefits of energy efficiency to its shareholders.



ENERGY STAR Buildings Ally of the Year

THE TRANE COMPANY, WORLDWIDE APPLIED SYSTEMS GROUP

The Trane Company, Worldwide Applied Systems Group, participated in ENERGY STAR

Buildings as both a Charter Partner and Ally. Throughout 1997, The Trane Company continued to actively promote the whole-building strategy internally and externally. In addition to recruiting several participants, Trane increased the visibility of ENERGY STAR Buildings by promoting its membership in almost 70 publications, spotlighting the performance of its pilot building, and speaking at trade conferences.

COMPAQ

Corporate Partner of the Year - Green Lights

COMPAQ COMPUTER CORPORATION

Compaq Computer Corporation upgraded 100 percent of its lighting in over 3 million square feet in three years. While reducing its associated energy costs, Compaq improved the work environment of over 12,000 employees in its 13 administration and seven manufacturing buildings. In addition to integrating energy efficiency into its buildings and corporate communications, Compaq has incorporated energy savings features into its products. Compaq was also named Energy Star Personal Computer Partner of the Year in 1996 and 1997

ENERGY STAR BUILDINGS AND GREEN LIGHTS PARTNERS AND ALLIES OF THE YEAR



Government Partner of the Year – Green Lights
LOUISVILLE AND JEFFERSON

COUNTY METROPOLITAN
SEWER DISTRICT (MSD)

Louisville and Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD) enjoys the lowest overall electric rates in the country – less than 4.09 cents per kilowatt-hour. However, through its Green Lights Partnership, MSD reduced its energy consumption by over 5.6 million kilowatt-hours, totaling an annual savings of \$85,362. Additionally, MSD's efforts annually prevent the release of 5.6 million pounds of carbon dioxide and 28,400 pounds of sulfur dioxide – emissions linked to global climate change and acid rain.

+ CATHOLIC HEALTH INITIATIVES

St. Joseph Hospital

Healthcare Partner of the Year – Green Lights
ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL

St. Joseph Hospital, a 309-bed hospital located in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and a member of Catholic Health Initiatives.

joined Green Lights in 1994. Its hospital-wide effort entailed the retrofitting of nearly 6,500 lighting fixtures. In addition to reducing its energy loads by 2.8 million kilowatt-hours, these lighting upgrades save St. Joseph Hospital more than \$175,000 annually. Its success with the first stage of ENERGY STAR Buildings has prompted the Hospital to work with EPA on whole-building upgrades.



Hospitality Partner of the Year – Green Lights

WALT DISNEY WORLD CO.

Walt Disney World Co. has completed Green Lights (Stage One of ENERGY STAR Buildings) in over 50 percent of its 15 million square feet in less than two years. Upon completion, Walt Disney World Co. will save enough energy to annually power its newest 500-acre theme park, Animal Kingdom. In addition to communicating its involvement to employees, Walt Disney World Co. celebrated its commitment to Green Lights on Earth Day at Epcot Center. Its efforts annually prevent 27 million pounds of carbon dioxide emissions – the equivalent of planting more than 3,600 acres of trees.



Education Partner of the Year – Green Lights

DAVENPORT COMMUNITY

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Davenport Community School District's main goal in partnering with EPA was to improve the learning environment for its 17,500 students. In addition to improving the lighting in its buildings, the school district saves its community more than \$240,000 in energy costs. The renovation in the district, where almost half of the buildings are over 57 years of age, also annually prevents the release of 5.9 million pounds of carbon dioxide, 56,000 pounds of sulfur dioxide, and 25,000 pounds of nitrogen oxides.



Retail Partner of the Year - Green Lights

McDONALD'S

McDonald's has retrofitted or incorporated Green Lights (Stage One of ENERGY STAR Buildings) into the new construction of

5,073 restaurants. The 40 percent reduction in lighting energy use in its company-owned franchises accounts for a reduction of 48 million kilowatt-hours. Because the average McDonald's uses 500,000 kilowatt-hours annually, this savings equals the electricity needs for 96 restaurants. In terms of the environment, its energy savings also equate to preventing the release of more than 40 million pounds of carbon dioxide annually – the pollution associated with the emissions of more than 4.000 cars.



AEP: America's Energy Partner *

Ally of the Year – Green Lights

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY (AEP)

American Electric Power Company (AEP) has reduced its own energy use by 23.3 million kilowatt-hours in its 6.5 million square feet. In addition, AEP has promoted the benefits of energy efficiency to its 2.9 million commercial, industrial, and residential customers. AEP's diverse portfolio of communications tools includes billing information, posters, and videotapes. Additionally, AEP has used trade publication articles to promote the benefits of energy efficiency.

UPGRADING AMERICA: ENERGY-EFFICIENT LIGHTING AND BUILDINGS PROJECTS

LODI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA

A major component of Lodi Unified School District's three-year energy-efficiency plan involves improving the bottom line. After completing Stage One of ENERGY STAR Buildings, this California school district already realizes an annual energy bill savings of nearly \$192,000, while enjoying more comfortable classrooms.

WAL-MART LAWRENCE, KANSAS

In addition to preventing the release of 338 million pounds of carbon dioxide nationally, Wal-Mart combined day-lighting and light-level monitors in its Lawrence Eco-Mart. By improving the quality of merchandise displays, the sales rate was significantly higher than the same departments in other stores.

J.C. PENNEY PLANO, TEXAS

J.C. Penney found that its \$8.9 million in annual energy savings transfer directly to the company's bottom line and its core business. In fact, the company equates every dollar saved on lighting to \$15-20 in merchandise sales.

CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS

Houston's seven facilities departments have upgraded its health clinics, public libraries, convention center, and most of its ball fields. Performance contractors were used to complete all of these energy-efficiency improvements, enabling the city to complete its upgrades without spending additional funds from its budget. As a result, the City of Houston has won praise for being both an environmental and fiscal leader.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

After the first year in the Green Lights Partnership, the State of Wisconsin achieved \$7 million in annual savings. Even though the local utility had scaled back its rebate program, the high return on investment was enough to convince the governor to allocate the additional funding needed to continue the implementation plan.

COTTAGE HOSPITAL WOODSVILLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

As a result of its lighting and other energy-efficiency investments, Cottage Hospital is saving 176,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity while recouping investment dollars at an 80 percent internal rate of return. The upgrades in the 37,300square-foot healthcare facility have also dramatically improved the comfort level for its 175 employees, as well as its patients.

CHARLES E. SMITH MANAGEMENT WASHINGTON, D.C.

By reducing operating costs and continuing to eliminate wasted energy, Charles E. Smith Management is working to increase its property values. With the use of EPA software, Smith Management performs financial analyses of building upgrades and recommends profitable energy investment opportunities to building owners and tenants throughout the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

In addition to preventing 7 million pounds of carbon dioxide emissions, the University of Virginia's energy strategy contributes to overall school management. As a result of its lighting and building upgrades, \$288,000 is contributed annually to the operating fund, which finances services and materials including scientific equipment, grounds maintenance, and books.



Represents a lighting or whole-building project in progress or completed.

PARTICIPANTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED Green Lights* in 1997

City of Santa Rosa, CA **AES** Corporation Fayette County School District ALLTEL Information College of Saint Rose Fitzpatrick Electric Supply Services, Inc. College of the Mainland Forbes Regional Hospital **Advanced Lighting Products** Community College of Fordham Preparatory School Limited Philadelphia Foxboro Company American Broadcasting Community Hospital – Companies, Inc. Fremont Unified School Anderson/Madison Co. District Amway Corporation Connecticut College GDE Systems, Inc. Bailey Corporation Contra Costa Community GPU Service Corporation Bank of America College District Gallipolis City School Barney Roth Co. Corpus Christi Independent District School District Barr Laboratories Georgia Institute of Cosmair, Inc. Beverly Health and Technology Rehabilitation Services, Inc. Countrywide Home Loans Goleta Valley Cottage Bluffton College Darling Store Fixtures Hospital Grand Court Bone and Joint Hospital Davenport Community School District **Boulder Community** Greenville Utilities Hospital Dayton Board of Education Commission Bradytrane Service Dayton Hudson Corporation Halliburton Company Department Stores Division **Buckeye Local Schools** Harbor Hospital Center Dean Witter Realty Buffalo State College Harley-Davidson, Inc. Delta Air Lines Headquarters Burger King Corporation Hazeltine Corporation Diamond Foods Inc. Burkburnett Independent Hofstra University School District Duke Power Company Home Savings of America CF Industries, Inc. El Paso County Community ICF Inc. College District Camp Dresser & McKee, Illinois Agricultural Elizabethtown College Inc. Association Carr Realty Corporation **Energy Simulation Specialists** Illuminating Technologies Centerplex, Seattle Facility Management Independence School **Consultants** Chestnut Hill Hospital District Fairfield City School District Cincinnati Public Schools Indiana State University Fairmont School District

Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers

City of Chula Vista, CA

International III No.			
Intermountain Health Care	Omaha Public Power District	Staples, Inc.	
Long Beach Memorial Medical Center	Pajaro Valley Unified School District	State of New York	
MBNA Corporation	PanEnergy	Stillpoint Bed & Breakfast	
MCI Telecommunications	·,	Summit Medical Center	
Incorporated – Richardson, TX	Parley Redd Mercantile	Uintah Basin Medical Center	
Maryville College	Peninsula Conservation Center Foundation	United Hospital (Children's Hospital)	
Meadow Wood Hospital	Philadelphia Newspapers Inc.	United Water New Jersey Inc.	
Mecklenburg County Public Schools	Philips Electronics North America Corp.	Unity College	
Medical Area Total Energy Plant Inc. – Harvard Univ.	Phoenix Earth Food Cooperative	University of Missouri at Columbia	
Medina Valley Independent School District	Physicians Memorial Hospital	University of Redlands	
		University of Rochester	
Mercy Hospital of Pittsburgh	Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center	Vermont Law School	
Millipore Corporation	Portland Public Schools	Wall Technology, Inc.	
Milwaukee Public Schools		Washington County Hospital	
Mobile Tool	Primo Lighting Management	Western EXTRALITE	
Murray City School District	Public Citizen	Company of St. Louis	
Natick Village Condominiums Association	Quad Graphics	Wheatstone Energy Group, Inc.	
	Saint Agnes Hospital		
National Jewish Hospital	St. Mark's School, MA	Winslow Township School District	
New Hampshire School Admin. Unit #51	St. Mary's Hospital, IL	Wisconsin Electric Power Company	
	Salt River Project		
New York Life Insurance & Annuity Corp.	San Diego Convention Center	Wisconsin Power & Light Co.	
New York Power Authority		World Vision	
New York State Office of	Savannah Electric Power	York Hospital of Maine	
Mental Health	Sealed Air Corporation	Zapata County Independent	
Newport Hospital, RI	Seventh Generation, Inc.	School District	
Northridge Associates, L.L.C.	Simkar Lighting Fixture Company, Inc.	*Green Lights is the first stage of Energy Star Buildings.	
Nu-Lite Electrical Wholesalers, Inc.	Society for the Protection of NH Forests		
Ocean County College			

BENEFITING ALL BUSINESS

been able to add an ambulatory

care unit to our facilities without

facing an increase in utility costs.

Jeff Davidson
 Manager
 Maintenance

 Mercy Hospital of Pittsburgh

Although diverse, ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights participants have helped to establish a comprehensive energy strategy that can advance any organization's mission. Healthcare participants, for example, utilize their energy savings to control costs without compromising patient care. By 2002, these healthcare organizations are expected to save over \$200

million – approximately \$899 per bed annually.

Through Energy Star

Small Business[™], more

than 100 organizations

have found that energy

efficiency increases

their competitiveness.



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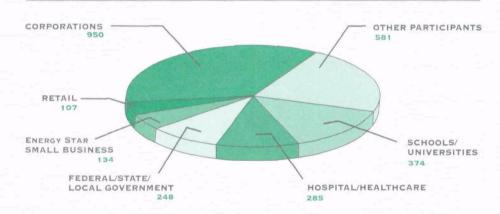
Since 1991, ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights participants have upgraded more than 2 billion square feet, which is equal to all the office space in New England, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania.

While reducing operating costs, whole-building upgrades improve merchandise presentation and make customers more comfortable.

In addition to improving the quality of their workplace, federal, state, and local governments save their communities \$35 million annually in energy costs – the second highest

budget item after salaries. Their results, similar to other businesses, demonstrate that the benefits of energy efficiency are not limited by an organization's size or purpose.

ENERGY STAR BUILDINGS AND GREEN LIGHTS PARTICIPATION



INCREASING COMFORT AND PROFITS

ENERGY STAR Buildings can add to an organization's bottom line in several ways. In addition to reducing energy costs, Churchs Chicken received positive feedback on the increased level of comfort from employees and customers. For participants such as Churchs Chicken, the atmosphere improvements have resulted in increased productivity and higher sales.

RAISING ENERGY AWARENESS

to support a company that supports the environment. ""

– Thomas Stemberg CEO Staples, Inc. In 1997, ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights participants continued to assist EPA in educating the public on the environmental and financial benefits of energy efficiency. Participants developed new and innovative outreach campaigns including print advertisements, company newsletters, environmental annual

reports, Internet Web sites, radio commercials, promotional contests, and other media.

Participant efforts
complemented EPA's
ENERGY STAR Buildings and
Green Lights public
education outreach.

Throughout 1997, various public service advertisements and editorials highlighting participants' achievements appeared in local and national

newspapers, broadcast news programs,





EPA's outreach includes public service announcements in national publications.

trade publications, and magazines across the country. Publications included Building Operating Management, Chicago Sun Times, Energy User News, Harvard Business Review, Newsweek, and San Francisco Examiner. In fact, articles on Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights reached a total of more than 14 million readers; public service announcements were circulated to more than 15 million readers.

National and regional recognition

ceremonies were also held to promote the environmental leadership of ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights participants. Throughout 1997, EPA recognized air pollution prevention efforts with initiatives such as the 1997 Honor Society, the 1997 Atlanta Earth Day Challenge, and Partner and Ally of the Year. These events celebrated the accomplishments of over 200 participants within their various industries and in their local communities.







WORKING TOGETHER TO SAVE

With the help of Energy Star

Buildings Allies, we now save

more than \$2.6 million a year. ""

J. William Naish
 Energy Utilities Coordinator
 San Diego Unified School District

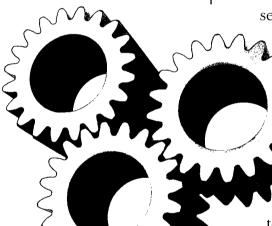
Since 1993, Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights Allies have played a large part in reinventing the way the commercial and industrial marketplace thinks about energy and its role in operating U.S. business. Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights Allies include energy-efficient product manufacturers and distributors, energy

service providers, institutions

offering energy-efficiency
financing options, and
utilities. As a result of
their industry expertise
and their commitment

to upgrading their own facilities,

Allies possess the unique capabilities
of supporting and promoting EPA's
comprehensive, whole-building
energy-efficiency strategy. By assisting
current participants in performing
their energy-efficiency upgrades,



The rate of 1997 ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights carbon dioxide savings is equal to eliminating the pollution from all the cars in Kansas.

recruiting new participants, and promoting a comprehensive, whole-building strategy, Allies work together to build awareness of the benefits of energy efficiency.

Allies have been instrumental in recruiting many new Energy Star Buildings participants, including Oklahoma City Schools, Universal Studios, and Reebok International Limited. In fact, as a result of both

EPA and Ally efforts, hundreds of organizations have committed to installing energy-efficient lighting and building heating and cooling equipment in more than 7 billion square feet of facility space within the next seven years. If current trends continue, ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights Allies will be responsible for recruiting more than 1,000 new participants by the turn of the century.

BUILDING NEW BUSINESS

Not only does Energy Star Buildings equal smart business, it can equal new business as well. With many companies looking to reduce energy spending, Energy Star Buildings Ally Verle A. Williams and Associates has incorporated Energy Star Buildings into its marketing strategy. The San Diego-based energy services firm has recruited and upgraded many current Energy Star Buildings Partners, including the San Diego Unified School District, which now saves more than \$2.6 million annually.

BUILDING A STRONGER FUTURE

We have always found a way to

clean the environment and grow

the economy at the same time.

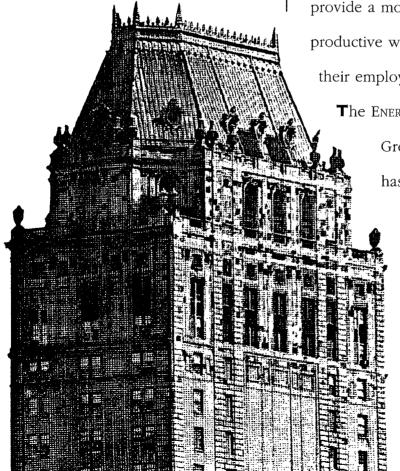
And when it comes to global

warming, we'll do it again.

- President Bill Clinton State of the Union Address January 26, 1998 ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights has helped to define the concept of strategic energy management. Working together, EPA and its voluntary participants have established that energy efficiency is not a question of conservation or sacrifice. Using today's advanced technologies, ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights participants save energy, maximize profits, and increase competitiveness. At the same time, their energy-efficient upgrades provide a more comfortable and productive working environment for their employees and customers.

The Energy Star Buildings and
Green Lights Partnership
has also helped improve

the nation's air
quality. Profitable
lighting and building
upgrades have



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reduced the nation's energy use, which translates into less pollution – emissions linked to global climate change, smog, and acid rain. Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights is steadily positioning the commercial and industrial market to reduce air pollution levels to the 1990 rate by the year 2000. By the year 2010, EPA expects the Energy Star Buildings and Green Lights Partnership to reduce annual greenhouse gas emissions by at least 24 million metric tons of carbon

equivalent (MMTCE), close to 10 percent of projected emissions from commercial buildings.

ENERGY STAR Buildings and Green Lights participants have set the precedent that environmental concerns can be combined with smart business decisions. Leading by example, their innovation will continue to shape the commercial and industrial marketplace as well as help to build a stronger economy and a better future.

