

Green Tier Program Development 12/03/2007

Green Tier*	Development	Applications	Enrolled Entities
Tier 1		5	20/24
Tier 2	3	1	2
Charters	2/30		4/254
General	401		

Activity has picked up on the development of participation and agreements. There are several new participants in the program and we are working diligently to get the celebration events scheduled. For purposes of understanding the numbers above, enrolled entities includes those participants who have received the Green Tier Letter from the Secretary even though we may not have had the formal celebration event and issued the releases related to their participation in the Green Tier Program. You will also note that there are three entities shown in the development section of Tier. While we have not received a Tier 2 Letter of Intent, we are having earnest discussions about the flexibility provisions and corresponding performance which would be in such a letter as well as taking a preliminary look at the environmental management systems that are in place at those entities. While not yet public noticed, we have just received a letter of intent from Serigraph for Tier 2 participation

There are three consequential items related to charters. On November 29, 2007, Secretary Frank signed the Charter with the Dairy Business Association at their annual meeting here in Madison. We are just preparing to go to public comment with the charter under development with the Municipal Environmental Group to accomplish early mercury reduction for those municipalities that may be subject to new effluent regulations and voluntary installation of mercury reduction programs for municipalities that may not be subject to those regulations. The charter will also serve as the base for developing systems capabilities and paving the way for participation in Tier 1 and Tier 2 of the program. On November 29 Secretary Frank also addressed the Printing Industry of Wisconsin at their "Green Day" event, encouraging and setting the stage for upcoming discussions on the printing charter.

As a result of the article in Corporate Report Wisconsin and some other contacts made at environmental events, there has been some additional interest that resulted in a nominal increase in the "General" development category. The majority of work, as with the last quarter has been in the processing of applications, planning of celebration events, streamlining internal activities and attending to the needs of ongoing participants.

Over the course of the next quarter, we anticipate processing requests already in house and applications (existing as well as any that might come in) but the bulk of the program work will be focused on publicity for current participants, development of the communications package and working with the Secretary's Office on an organized expansion plan.

* Environmental Compliance Audit activity shows one new notification of an audit since the last report to the Advisors bringing the number of notifications pending receipt of the audit report to two. All other activity in the program has been completed.