

Public Notice on Two Applications for Participation in Tier I of Green Tier

Pursuant to Section 299.83, Wis. Stats., the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) hereby gives notice that DNR has received two applications for participation in Tier I of Green Tier from Phillips Plastics Corporation. The first application covers Phillips Medical, with facilities at 415 Red Cedar Street, 428 Technology Drive, and 409 Technology Drive, Menomonie, Dunn County, WI 54751. Phillips Medical injection molds plastic components and assembles medical and pharmaceutical delivery products in three buildings on the 32 acre Menomonie Campus. They have incorporated an Environmental Management System certified to ISO 14001 that has been instrumental in realizing substantial environmental improvements with a commitment to future environmental excellence. In 2007 Phillips Medical celebrated Earth Day by giving away 1350 trees and shrubs to their employees and providing over 1,330 energy saving light bulbs. Phillips Medical also has an impressive recycling effort to reduce their impact on landfills. This includes paper and cardboard, lunchroom recyclables, production plastics, oil, antifreeze, batteries, metal halide and fluorescent lamps, non-PCB ballasts, production metals, electronic wastes, wood pallets, printer cartridges, cell phones, styrofoam and more. By working with Focus on Energy, Phillips Medical has reduced their energy use by roughly 3,637,593 kwh, 12,375 therms, and saved over \$225,770.

The second application covers Phillips Plastics – Metal Injection Molding, located at 422 Technology Drive East, Menomonie, Dunn County, WI 54751. Also part of Phillips' Menomonie Campus, this facility specializes in a material that impregnates plastics molds with metal particles, yielding high precision stainless steel components. They incorporate an Environmental Management System certified to ISO 14001 that has been instrumental in realizing substantial environmental improvements with a commitment to future environmental excellence. Metal Injection Molding annually conducts training for their employees and contractors with emphasis on generating new ideas to reduce environmental impacts both on and off the job. As with the corporate effort, the facility has increased their recycling efforts, reduced wastes, and increased their efforts to save energy. Though formaldehyde is one of the emissions of their process, the facility efforts have resulted in 99% control of this emission. Current efforts to reduce energy use are expected to yield very significant results in 2008.

As Green Tier participants, Phillips Medical and Metal Injection Molding will commit to challenge and educate their employees through their continuous improvement process, and utilize their EMS to further pursue environmental improvement.

Additional information available

Specific information on both applications for participation in Tier I of Green Tier, on Phillips Plastics Corporation and on the Green Tier program can be accessed via the Internet at:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cea/environmental/comment/index.htm>

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