

ATTACHMENT 2

Winsert is a privately held company that has just celebrated its 30th anniversary. Founder and current CEO, Stephen A. Dickinson, has always been a leader on environmental issues. He has always run his company behind his vision of environment first. That is why we first became ISO-14001 certified in May of 2003. It is also the reason we recycled long before it became "popular." Years ago, Steve made the decision that we would no longer bring in new processes that used hazardous chemicals and are continuing to this day to remove those processes that do. If a process used hazardous materials, it would not be used at Winsert. This was also why we do not allow suppliers to bring in hazardous materials. Each MSDS is verified prior to the material being brought in and they are saved and accessed through an electronic system used by all employees.

We have used outside firms for roughly the last 20 years to audit Winsert to the highest standards and assist in making sure Winsert is always in compliance with all regulations. Although we can maintain compliance without the extra costs of a third party auditor, Steve was so committed that he always went the extra mile. We eliminated an in-house molding process, even though it costs us more, just so we could eliminate the chemicals it used. Some of those chemicals were SO₂ gas, caustic soda, sulfuric acid and a very strong oxidizer. The replacement molds we now purchase are non-hazardous. While watching our molding process, it was noticed that there was time during normal operation that the gas was running and not producing goods. New equipment was designed and built to drastically reduce the waste of natural gas.

Winsert currently has several environmentally projects and goals in-process right now under the direction of Steve's daughter and COO Trisha La Via. She shares the same concern for the environment as Steve. We are currently redesigning our crack detection and burr removal process to eliminate our only source of process waste water. Right now, the water goes through the process, then to our treatment system and then down the drain. Once completed, we will have significantly reduced our water usage, waste water and will have eliminated our need for a waste water treatment system.

Our only hazardous waste right now is waste trichloroethylene. About 8 years ago we made changes to the system that allowed us to go from a large quantity hazardous waste generator to a very small hazardous waste generator. This was not good enough for Trisha. We are currently in a final testing stage of a new process that will eliminate the need for trichloroethylene forever. Once completed, Winsert will no longer be a generator of any hazardous waste. This will be a significant accomplishment for any company, especially for one that produces all of its goods from raw materials in a foundry though a machine shop.

Attached and included in this application (attachment 3) are copies of our Objectives and Goals.