The Maryland Green Registry Leadership Awards recognize organizations that have shown a strong commitment to the implementation of sustainable practices, the demonstration of measurable results, and the continual improvement of environmental performance.

2017 Leadership Award Winner

Hamilton Associates, Inc.

About Hamilton Associates, Inc.

Hamilton Associates, Inc. is the corporate parent of three diverse manufacturing companies: ELSCO (Elevator Safety Company), ATI (Air Techniques International), and Dirt Killer Pressure Washers. The three companies are united by a common vision to improve the world through responsibly manufactured products. In keeping with that vision, their Green Team consists of employees representing a cross-section of their divisions and job types and meets regularly to define new projects and review the status of ongoing environmental initiatives.

Achievements

Energy Efficiency: Through significant upgrades of the HVAC systems and building controls, LED lighting retrofits, and compressed air leak repairs, Hamilton Associates has reduced its energy usage by approximately 20 percent. The company has also upgraded lighting and HVAC in its tenant spaces and continues to pursue additional energy reduction measures.

Material Recycling: Hamilton Associates has implemented a process that collects the ductile cast iron waste chips produced during machining, drains off the residual fluids, and sends the chips to a recycler. This process prevents 36 tons of iron chips from entering the waste stream every year.

Waste Reduction: The company has made a number of inbound and outbound packaging changes to reduce and eliminate waste. These include: eliminating packing peanuts in favor of air pillows made from recycled material, and reduction of pallet and disposable cardboard packaging through the introduction of re-usable plastic crates. To encourage employees to reuse the wood from the remaining wooden pallets the company receives, the Environmental Team provided free herb plants on Earth Day and demonstrated how to turn the pallets into attractive garden planters.