

Global KES Green Initiatives

As a company we have instituted a number of initiatives to becoming more environmentally conscious.

Our efforts in this manner are considered **GREEN** because in doing so we are developing an awareness of how our products and practices, immediately and long term, impact the environment that we all live in...the Earth.

As of 2008 we, as a company, moved away from Styrofoam packing peanuts to a bio-degrade-able air pillow. Not only were the peanuts environmentally less desirable than the plastic pillows we now use, but feedback from our customers unanimously stated that the peanuts were inconvenient during the receiving process -they thought it was a way that we could improve...so we did.

The air pillows are made of strong, durable linear low-density polyethylene which is specially formulated with a proprietary additive that causes biodegradation in 9 months to five years, depending on exposure conditions.



Additionally, we started in 2008 the practice of shutting down desktop workstation computers at the end of each day.

This reduction in power consumption over time will greatly reduce our carbon footprint, the total amount of greenhouse gases emitted directly or indirectly. *We also...*



- We compact and bail all plastic and cardboard waste from our distribution centers and send to a local recycling center.
- All waste paper generated by our office is placed in recycling containers and taken to this facility as well.
- We scan as many documents into storage servers and recycle the paper hardcopies.
- These practices have been part of our efforts since 2004

Some of the products that are directly included in the **GREEN** line of products that we carry are:

- ▶ Low-flow Pre-rinse Sprayers
- ▶ Recycled and Post-consumer-waste Mop Heads, Brushes, and Handles
- ▶ "Touchless" automatic Towel Dispensers, Toilet Flushing Devices, and Hand Faucet Devices
- ▶ And more...

We buy from energy and environmentally conscience manufacturers. A major manufacturer that we support is Manitowoc Foodservice Equipment and their leading brands.

This is what they have to say regarding their **GREEN** focus.

Through our EnerLogic™ program, Manitowoc Foodservice make it easy to identify, evaluate and purchase [over 1,000 energy efficient foodservice products and almost 500 ENERGY STAR products which are verified to meet independent third-party standards to save energy, save water, save money, and help save the planet.](#)

And because Manitowoc Foodservice and our leading brands understand reducing energy use and improving the environment is good business for foodservice operators, we've accelerated our efforts to offer more products that save energy and water while contributing to reducing your "environmental footprint."

