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Samtec has been awarded an Indiana Environmental Stewardship

Samtec has been named a member of the Indiana Environmental Stewardship program in recognition of their commitment to preserving the environment. In order to be named an Indiana Environmental Steward, a business must demonstrate the following:

- An Environmental Management System that is implemented in both long term and day to day business activities
- Demonstrations of and commitments to waste reduction and recycling
- Demonstrations of and commitments to air and water pollution reduction/elimination
- Commitment to reduced dependence on non-renewable energy sources
- Community involvement and willingness to discuss concerns and issues to promote better environmental practices



Samtec's on-going commitment to proactive and "beyond compliance" activities demonstrates their ability to be a good steward of the environment and the community. Samtec's Corporate Culture also recognizes the value in being environmentally aware to their customers, associates, and neighbors throughout the world.

Samtec has created a program to recycle 100% of all aluminum cans and plastic bottles. The company already recycles the following items annually:

- 148 tons of manufacturing waste
- 125 tons of cardboard waste
- tons of plating process waste
- tons of office paper waste
- tons of plastic packaging waste

As a result of this recycling, no waste from the above processes end up in local landfills

On the horizon is Samtec's commitment to reduce wastewater discharge by 15%, reduce packaging waste by 50%, and reduce electricity consumption by 10%.

For more information on the Indiana Environmental Stewardship program, contact the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, ESP at <http://www.in.gov/idem/4132.htm>.

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