

PRESS RELEASE

Control Management, Inc. Helps Celebrate the 15th Anniversary of ENERGY STAR[®] Certified Buildings



(September 9, 2014, Columbia, SC) - Back in 1999, for the first time, a building earned the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) ENERGY STAR certification by outperforming at least 75 percent of its peers. Now, 15 years later, Control Management, Inc. is helping to mark the anniversary of this milestone event by helping their clients earn ENERGY STAR certification for 21 properties to date.

Control Management, Inc. became involved with EPA's ENERGY STAR program back in 2013 and since then, has been helping its clients measure, track, and improve their energy performance as well as earn the ENERGY STAR. This year, Control Management, Inc. is participating in an EPA campaign called "Certification Nation," which features stories, tips, and advice, as well as a blitz of certification activity across the country.

"Control Management, Inc. is pleased to help EPA celebrate 15 years of ENERGY STAR certified buildings," said Kevin Cunningham, CMI Representative. "We are proud to have helped our clients realize energy and cost savings and reduce their carbon footprint, and we have been more than happy to help them achieve ENERGY STAR certification from EPA for their buildings."

Commercial buildings that earn EPA's ENERGY STAR are verified to perform in the top 25 percent of similar facilities nationwide for energy efficiency. They use an average of 35 percent less energy than typical buildings and are responsible for 35 percent fewer greenhouse gas emissions.

CMI offers benchmarking services to our customer base. We assist buildings that qualify for the ENERGY STAR, through the application process.

"What we're really celebrating this year are the achievements of the businesses and organizations that work every day to help manage commercial building energy use," said Jean Lupinacci, Chief of the ENERGY STAR Commercial & Industrial Branch. "Together, the teams at these top-performing properties have achieved significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions as well as cost savings for our cities, our schools, and the businesses that power America's economy."

Since 1999, more than 24,000 commercial buildings and industrial plants have earned EPA's ENERGY STAR for superior energy performance. As of the end of 2013, they've prevented more than 40 million metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions and saved more than \$3 billion on utility bills.

Products, homes and buildings that earn the ENERGY STAR label prevent greenhouse gas emissions by meeting strict energy efficiency requirements set by the U.S. EPA. In 2013 alone, Americans, with the help of ENERGY STAR, saved an estimated \$30 billion on their utility bills and prevented greenhouse gas emissions equal to the annual electricity use of more than 38 million homes. From the first ENERGY STAR qualified computer in 1992, the label can now be found on products in more than 70 different categories, 1.5 million new homes, and 24,000 commercial buildings and industrial plants.

For more information about Certification Nation and the 15th anniversary for ENERGY STAR Certification for Commercial Buildings: www.energystar.gov/CertificationNation

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