



Energy Conservation

- Implement commissioning/re-commissioning to implement at federal facilities
- Provide more information on ESPC
- Train staff at various levels and job functions to make energy conservation work
- Use EMS as a way to integrate energy conservation



Beneficial Landscaping

- Educate the federal government on beneficial landscaping
- Develop case studies and pilots on beneficial landscaping that include cost benefits



Buying Green

- Have a road show to get this information out to contract officers and technical representatives
- Develop pilot studies on money saved on green purchasing
- Offer ways that allows federal purchasers from different agencies to work together to increase demand



Buying Green (cont.)

- Create a list of local vendors
- Provide site assistance visits or mentoring to facilities
- Provide a Green hotline or computer site for technical assistance and advice
- Work with other data bases and plug into EPA's website



Green Cleaning

- Green cleaning is an effort that can be easily implemented due to the increasing number of successful “green” products
- GSA should adopt a set of “green” cleaning standards



Green Meetings

- Quantify the size and number of meetings taking place within a given agency
- Ensure that “green” meeting category is included in agency EMS
- Develop “eco-calculator” for meeting planner to quantify the environmental impacts of a meeting



Green Meetings (cont.)

- Promote use of a “Check-In” card that indicates preference for sustainable services (sheets, towels, etc.)
- Describe green meeting activities, success stories, and resources



Green Meetings (cont.)

- Assemble a team of the right people (e.g., contractors, meeting planners, management)
- Provide a “green meeting” resource that can be customized to for the particular needs of meeting planners



Alternative Fuels/Vehicles

- Purchase and use alternative fuels
- Develop Baseline of users
- Modify EPACT to credit the use of hybrid vehicles



Electronics

- Make the the computer manufacture design products for recycling, reuse and non-combustibility
- Determine how to address the accumulation of obsolete computers
- Develop eco-labels and standards
- Centralize disposal of computers



Electronics (cont.)

- Provide more information to federal and public about electromagnetic field exposure
- Share Best Management Practices among federal government, OEM, and recyclers
- Join the Federal Electronics Challenge



Green E-procurement

- GSA Advantage needs to prioritize "green" products as default products
- GSA should only offer "green" products as long as they meet environmental, cost and performance standards. Don't provide a choice where none is needed.



Green Cafeteria

- Offer case studies on “green” food Service operations that include cost/benefit analysis
- Case studies should reflect different type of food service operations (e.g., large, small, captive audience, non-captive audience)
- Create list of biodegradable products and services to increase procurement choices
- Make clear demands to food services companies (incorporate needs into contracts)



Green Cafeteria (cont.)

- “Piggy-back” sustainable activities onto existing meetings/conferences such as the Energy 2003 program
- Convention and hospitality facilities need to provide “green” catering
- Increase food waste collection by coordinating pickups from multiple organizations
- Elevate the need for “green” cafeterias by sending a strong message upper management (I.e. 60 Minute’s story)



Developing a Green Infrastructure

- Training between federal procurement and programmatic staff and form cross-functional teams
- Use a different format for meetings, such as this: send out material before hand and bring a team from the facility
- Identify opportunities that are easy and start small



Developing a Green Infrastructure (cont.)

- Use EMS and Executive Orders to encourage “greening” projects
- Work with federal employees to promote “ownership” of green activities.



Participant Themes

- Need resources and top management support
- Develop cross-functional teams
- Develop case studies to make the argument for buying and building “green”
- Need for consistent eco-label standards



Participant Themes (cont.)

- Coordination of available resources (Don't reinvent the wheel - plagiarize)
- Education, training, outreach
- Develop personal commitment to help drive projects
- Integrate “green” sustainability to EMS design
- Collaboration among government facilities