



Environmental Information shared with Employees



The following are some of the environmental hints and tips IC Group has shared with its employees:

- Buy Energy Star labeled appliances: you will save on your monthly bill, as well as reducing emissions
- Lower your thermostat: For every degree you turn down your heat in winter, you will save between 1-3% on your heating bill. For summer, turn it up one or two degrees.
FACT: 40% of the energy used in your home is for heat
- Shut down your computer, both at home and the office when not in use
- Unplug your appliances when not in use to reduce your monthly energy bill
FACT: 40% of the energy used by home appliances is used when they are turned off
- Use your own reuseable shopping bag: FACT: according to the Wall Street Journal, the U.S. goes through 100 billion (yes, billion!) plastic shopping bags annually
- Use energy saving light bulbs: Save up to \$30 per bulb in average lifetime electricity costs. FACT: Compact Fluorescent light bulbs use 75% less energy than incandescent bulbs, and last up to 10 times longer
- Drink filtered water: purchase a water filter and reuseable water bottle. FACT: only 20% of plastic water bottles are recycled
- Inflate and don't idle: keeping your tires inflated and your car tuned regularly means less stops at the pump. FACT: an idling car creates twice the emissions of a car in motion
- Recycle: FACT: our country recycles only 32% of its waste