



HanesBrands Earns Seventh Consecutive U.S. EPA Excellence Award for Environmental Achievement

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Hanes, the only apparel company to be honored by the EPA Energy Star program in its 25-year history, shows that companies from all industries can make a difference in energy conservation, carbon emissions reduction and sustainability

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Apr. 13, 2016-- HanesBrands (NYSE: HBI) announced today that the company has earned its seventh consecutive partner-of-the-year award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Energy Star program for continued excellence in energy conservation, carbon emissions avoidance and environmental sustainability.

As one of the world's largest underwear and activewear apparel manufacturers, Hanes predominately owns and operates its own production facilities and has a disciplined global energy management program.

Today, a team from Hanes will attend the annual Energy Star program in Washington, D.C., to accept its award and participate in collaborative meetings to share best practices with other industrial companies earning 2016 Energy Star recognition, including Boeing, Colgate-Palmolive, General Motors and Toyota.

Javier Chacon, Hanes' chief global manufacturing operations officer, will make a presentation to the Energy Star industrial partners meeting, highlighting key 2015 accomplishments for the company, including:

- The construction of a 5.5 megawatt biomass-fueled heat-and-power plant to support operations in El Salvador and avoid energy derived from heavy oil.
- The initiation of an annual companywide global energy summit for executives, managers and engineers to plot achievement of long-term 2020 environmental performance goals.
- The addition of five additional plants achieving Energy Star Challenge for Industry recognition for reducing energy use by more than 10 percent.
- Continued commitment to responsibly produced cotton and energy efficient yarn processing.

"We are honored to earn another partner of the year award, and the credit goes to each of our more than 65,000 worldwide employees who are committed to the cause of energy management and environmental responsibility," Chacon said. "We are proud of our achievements as a leading global apparel company."

Since 2007, Hanes has reduced its energy use by 25 percent, water use by 31 percent and carbon emissions by 21 percent. Last year, Hanes derived 25 percent of its worldwide energy needs from renewable sources, including biomass, hydroelectric, geothermal and wind. Hanes is the only apparel company to ever be honored by Energy Star in the program's 25-year history.

In addition to Chacon, the Hanes team traveling to Washington for the Energy Star program includes Mike Faircloth, president, chief global supply chain and IT officer; Jerry Cook, vice president, government and trade relations; Sidney Falken, chief branding officer; Chris Fox, vice president, corporate social responsibility; Kurt Schwalbe, director, facilities engineering; Philip Henson, senior manager, energy and environmental sustainability; and select plant managers, maintenance engineers, and regional facilities engineering managers from the United States, El Salvador and Honduras.

Energy Star was introduced by the EPA in 1992 as a voluntary market-based partnership to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through increased efficiency. For more information about Energy Star, visit energystar.gov.

More information about Hanes' corporate social responsibility achievements, including environmental protection, may be found at www.HanesForGood.com.

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HanesBrands, based in Winston-Salem, N.C., is a socially responsible leading marketer of everyday basic innerwear and activewear apparel in the Americas, Europe and Asia under some of the world's strongest apparel brands, including *Hanes*, *Champion*, *Playtex*, *DIM*, *Bali*, *Maidenform*, *Flexees*, *JMS/Just My Size*, *Wonderbra*, *Nur Die/Nur Der*, *Lovable* and *Gear for Sports*. The company sells T-shirts, bras, panties, shapewear, underwear, socks, hosiery, and activewear produced in the company's low-cost global supply chain. A member of the S&P 500 stock index, Hanes has approximately 65,300 employees in more than 40 countries and is ranked No. 490 on the Fortune 500 list of America's largest companies by sales. Hanes takes pride in its strong reputation for ethical business practices. The company is the only apparel producer to ever be honored by the Great Place to Work Institute for its workplace practices in Central America and the Caribbean. For six consecutive years, Hanes has won the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Energy Star sustained excellence/partner of the year award – the only apparel company to earn these honors. The company ranks No. 246 on Newsweek magazine's green list of 500 largest U.S. companies. More information about the company and its corporate social responsibility initiatives, including environmental, social compliance and community improvement achievements, may be found at www.Hanes.com/corporate.

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