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Energy Efficiency

Energy-efficient practices range from simple to involved, from shutting off equipment when not in use (30% to 40% of personal computers and printers are left running at night and on weekends and are idle as much as 90% of the workday), to installing efficient light fixtures, to finding a use for waste heat or reducing boiler blow-down.

Energy-efficiency practices can benefit your company by—
Reducing direct costs. For some industries, energy makes up more than 20% of the value of products.
Preventing pollution. Better practices will help you meet industry regulations.
Improving utility rates. By using less energy during peak times, your business may be able to negotiate better rates with utilities.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Make energy efficiency a part of operational procedures and consideration in every decision.
- Perform an energy audit They can be performed by state or local energy offices.
- Make immediate improvements, such as turning down the thermostat or reducing the hot water temperature.
- Encourage innovation and employee participation.
- Track energy costs and optimize energy in manufacturing processes.

FOR MORE IDEAS

www.aceee.org/p2/enhance.htm
www.energystar.gov
www.greenbiz.com



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6	7 <small>Arbor Day (California)</small>	8	9	10	11 <small>Bald Eagle designated as threatened, 1967</small>	12
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20 <small>World Environment Day</small>	21	22 <small>World Water Day</small>	23	24	25	26
27	28 <small>Three Mile Island, 1979</small>	29	30	31		