



## Maryland Green Registry MEMBER

The Maryland Green Registry promotes and recognizes sustainable practices at organizations of all types and sizes. Members agree to share at least five environmental practices and one measurable result while striving to continually improve their environmental performance.

# Riggs Distler & Company, Inc.



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## Management and Leadership

### Environmental Policy Statement

*Riggs Distler believes that sustainability is characterized by using resources without jeopardizing or compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs. We are committed to providing customers, and the communities we serve, with sustainable, clean, affordable, solutions that are safe and reliable. Riggs Distler shall comply with all applicable environmental federal, state, and local jurisdictional regulations and standards. The organization will continuously assess, and where necessary, improve the impacts that our operations has on the environment. Riggs Distler will also benchmark with customers and industry peers alike to meet our sustainability expectations.*

*Riggs Distler shall adhere to our current Environmental Management System, which builds sustainability success over the long-term and creates options for sustainability development:*

- *Protecting the environment by preventing and/or mitigating adverse environmental impacts;*
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- *Mitigating the potential adverse effect of environmental conditions on the organization;*
- *Assisting the organization in the fulfilment of compliance obligations;*
- *Enhancing environmental performance;*
- *Controlling or influencing the way the organization's products and services are designed, manufactured, distributed, consumed, and disposed of by*

*using a life cycle perspective that can prevent environmental impacts from being unintentionally shifted elsewhere within the life cycle;*

- *Achieving financial and operational benefits that can result from implementing environmentally sound alternatives that strengthen the organization's market position;*
- *By communicating environmental information to relevant interested parties.*



### **Environmental Team**

*Riggs Distler's environmental sustainability program is overseen by our President and Chief Executive Officer, Steve Zemaitatis Jr. The Sustainability Team is led by the Environmental Health and Safety Director. Team members include the Corporate Compliance Director, five (5) Environmental Health and Safety Managers, and twenty-two (22) Environmental Health and Safety Coordinators. Two (2) Environmental Health and Safety Coordinators cover our Maryland offices in Dundalk and Capitol Heights.*

*In addition, Riggs Distler's sustainability policies are tailored to assist our employees to be good stewards of the environment. Our motto is "Under One Hat," which indicates our full organizational commitment to safety, operational performance, protecting natural resources, recycling, conservation, and regeneration.*



### **Annual Environmental Goals**

*As a corporation, the organizational goal is to reduce our direct and indirect greenhouse gas emissions by the end of 2021. The reduction target is 11.5%.*

*Riggs Distler annual environmental targets include:*

- (1) Reduction of energy consumption at our facilities.*
- (2) Reduction of fuel consumption by our passenger vehicles, trucks, and heavy equipment.*



### **Environmentally Preferable Products and Services**

*Founded in 1909 as the Riggs-Linthicum Company, our original charge mission was to represent manufacturers in the sale of materials for "buildings, railroads, and other purposes." Charles M. and George S. Linthicum were members of the respected Linthicum family. Based in Linthicum, Maryland, the Linthicum family tree included U.S. Congressmen, significant property owners, and influential politicians. Thomas Dudley Riggs was a member of the distinguished Riggs family of Baltimore. The family founded the Riggs Bank, which merged with PNC Bank in 2005. Three years after our founding, the*

*company rebranded as Riggs Distler and Company, Inc. At this time, Mr. John Distler, a Lehigh University graduate who hailed from New York, became President of the company.*

*Today, Riggs Distler provides a variety of services in Maryland that improve operational efficiency and energy conservation:*

- *Boiler and machinery services in power plants*
- *Industrial electrical services*
- *Utility overhead and underground electric transmission and distribution services*
- *Underground gas line distribution construction and repair*
- *Utility emergency restoration*
- *Streetlight replacement*

**Independently-Audited Environmental Management Systems**

*Riggs Distler is dedicated to environmental sustainability and is moving forward with continuous improvement of our Environmental Management System, which is based on guidance contained within the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001.*

## Waste

**Recycling**

*Riggs Distler reduces the amount of waste sent to landfills and incinerators by recycling. As an organization we recycle paper, cardboard, and batteries. Additionally, Riggs Distler returns transformers and streetlights to customers for possible recycling.*

## Energy

**Energy Efficiency**

*Riggs Distler has made various energy efficient upgrades in our Dundalk office building and garage. We have installed 45 LED lights with sensors that shut off the lights, when a person leaves an area. The installed LED bulbs provides an approximate annual wattage savings of 12,130.56 kWh. We save approximately \$2,062.20 U.S.D per year.*

## Water

### **Stormwater Management**

*In 2019, an environmental project to clear a dry detention basin was started by the Riggs Distler Baltimore employees. The basin is located on the Riggs Distler Dundalk property and was completely blocked by soil, vegetation, and other debris. By clearing the detention basins, Riggs Distler prevented excessive runoff from flowing outside the boundaries of the property.*

## Environmental Certification Programs, Awards, and Other Activities

- Recognizing environmental transparency and accountability are vital to tracking progress towards a thriving, sustainable future, Riggs Distler participates in the globally recognized Carbon Disclosure Project.*

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