



## 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.

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Manufacturing

Member since April 2010

## Management and Leadership

### Environmental Policy Statement

*The Senior Leadership of Alliant Techsystems Inc., Propulsion & Controls Division is committed to producing products and services for our customers in an environmentally responsible manner. We have established the following principles for implementing this commitment throughout our operations:*

- 1. Comply with all applicable environmental laws and regulations, other environmental requirements to which we subscribe, and our own internal environmental procedures, based on the requirements of ISO 14001:2004;*
- 2. Periodically identify the environmental aspects of our activities, products, and services and establish quantified objectives and targets to reduce or eliminate their potentially adverse impacts;*
- 3. Continually improve our environmental management system as a means to improving environmental performance;*
- 4. Conduct regular evaluations of our conformance to the environmental management system requirements and of our compliance with environmental laws, regulations, and other requirements; respond promptly and fully to all recommendations made by evaluators;*
- 5. Implement and maintain pollution prevention, energy conservation, and incident prevention programs;*
- 6. Communicate to all persons working for or on behalf of the organization that Elkton is committed to producing products and services for our customers in an environmentally responsible manner and has implemented and maintains a written Environmental Policy to achieve this end;*

7. Train employees in their responsibilities for protecting health and the environment; recognize outstanding employee accomplishments in these areas;
8. Communicate with government agencies, industry, and local communities on environmental issues; work with them to develop solutions to environmental problems of common concern;
9. Participate on Local Emergency Planning Committees in order to plan responses to potential emergency and accident situations; and

All employees shall be responsible for implementing the commitments of this Environmental Policy.

**Environmental Team**

ATK Elkton's Executive Safety and Environmental Council (ESC) meets quarterly. The committee is comprised of facility operations, testing, and engineering management personnel. The ESC is presented and discusses the Environmental Performance Review which is prepared by environmental staff personnel and includes discussion of current and on-going external environmental communications, changing circumstances within the facility, and staff recommendations for improvement.

**Annual Environmental Goals**

The facility's environmental goals and objectives are defined at the beginning of each fiscal year and established by ATK's corporate environmental department. Goals and metrics are established each year to drive improving performance at each facility and Corporate-wide. As part of this activity, each facility is required to establish and track "plant-selected goals/metrics" to address an area for improvement. Progress in meeting environmental goals and objectives are tracked and reported monthly to all personnel and reviewed during the quarterly ESC meetings. ATK uses a Metrics Scorecard, which for FY 2010, tracks our training, environmental practices, and greenhouse gas reduction strategy. We use a point system and red, yellow and green color-coded indicators to track our progress. Currently, we are on track (green) for all three targets.

## Waste

**Recycling**

The Elkton facility has a mature, active metals, cardboard, electronics, office paper, and battery recycling programs. Program awareness is periodically

*communicated to keep employees informed. In 2009 the facility recycled approximately 58 tons of waste.*

**Hazardous Waste/Toxic Use Reduction**

*By changing its method of handling and storing industrial waste water prior to disposal, the Elkton facility achieved nearly a 90 percent reduction (62 tons) in the amount of hazardous waste water generated in FY10. The estimated annual cost savings are \$8,000 - \$12,000.*

## Energy

**Energy Efficiency**

*The Elkton facility has undertaken a number of projects to directly impact energy consumption. These projects include:*

- *Replacement of light fixtures*
- *Steam and condensate piping repairs*
- *Installation of weather efficient windows, doors, and weather stripping.*
- *Conversion of oil burning furnaces to natural gas*
- *Programs to promote personal practices to conserve energy*
- *Undertaking an energy projects inventory/evaluation program*

## Transportation

**Fleet Vehicles**

*We have added electric carts to our in plant fleet and we have an anti-idling policy.*



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