

MDEQ Recognizes 2019 enHance Members

MDEQ accepted one new member and nine renewal memberships into its enHance program for the 2019 class on April 9. The recognition was part of the annual workshop and awards luncheon held in Jackson each year. enHance is a voluntary stewardship program that recognizes committed environmental leaders who accomplish goals beyond their legal requirements. enHance is open to facilities, cities, counties, and other entities who are interested in the program, and applicants can choose from three tiers: Leader, Steward, or Associate.

This year marks the eleventh year of enHance and its members have made some remarkable accomplishments. In the past year, members' projects have resulted in over 3,000 pounds of hazardous waste being reduced, 8.6 million gallons of water saved, and the reduction of 120,000 MMBTU in energy use. enHance Members also reported more than \$1 million dollars saved last year.

Over the past 11 years, the enHance members have:

- eliminated a quarter million pounds of hazardous waste.
- Reduced, reused, or recycled tens of thousands of tons of solid waste.
- Saved more than 250 million gallons of water.
- Reduced annual energy use by more than 73 million kilowatt hours of annual energy use reductions for nearly 18 million MMBTUs of total annual energy savings.

New Leader for 2019: Siemens Industry, Inc. (Richland)

Renewing Leaders: Anel Corporation (Winona), Hol-Mac Plant 1 (Bay Springs), Hol-Mac Plant 2 (Bay Springs), and Hol-Mac Plant 3 (Bay Springs).

Renewing Stewards: Haworth, Inc. (Bruce), PACCAR (Columbus), and Southwire Company (Starkville).

Renewing Associates: Airbus Helicopters, Inc. (Columbus) and Keith Huber Corporation (Gulfport).

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MDEQ Office of Pollution Control Director Chris Sanders with Chris Wilson of Siemens Industry, Inc.

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Chris Sanders with Kathryn Jordan of Anel Corporation



Jim McNair, Chris Sanders, Joey Massey, and Samantha Bisnette (Hol-Mac)



Chris Sanders and Jason Darnell of PACCAR



Chris Sanders with Keith McMullen of Keith Huber Corporation