

# THE PORCELAIN PRESS

September 2011 - Weeks 3 & 4

## Special Points of Interest:

### Accelerate to a Healthy Lifestyle

August - October 2011.  
Information and sign up at ES&H homepage. Prizes will be awarded monthly to participants.

### Flu Shots

The Medical Office will begin administering flu shots during the month of October. The shot typically protects you for 6 months so getting it later in fall will help to ensure you're protected through the flu season. Check the ES&H web site for details and to sign up.

### ES&H Concern or Suggestion?

Talk to your Supervisor, SSO or go to the ES&H homepage & click on 'Concerns & Suggestions'.

## Sustainable Acquisition = Buy Green

Sustainable acquisition means acquiring goods and services in order to create and maintain conditions under which humans and nature can exist in productive harmony; and that permits fulfilling the social, economic, and other requirements of present and future generations.

(See the ES&H homepage>resources>sustainable acquisition for more information.)

### Biobased Products

These are commercial or industrial products that are composed in whole, or in significant part, of biological products or renewable domestic agricultural materials or forestry materials.

### Recycled Products

These are materials that have been recovered or diverted from solid waste and have been utilized in place of raw or virgin material in manufacturing a product.

### Alternative Fuels/Vehicles

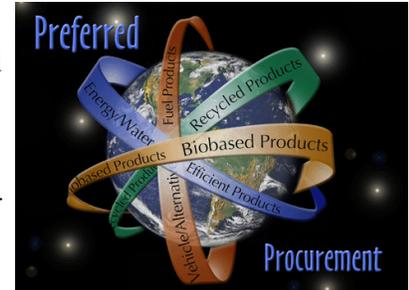
Federal sites are required to purchase alternative-fuel vehicles, and operate dual-fueled vehicles on alternative fuels such as biodiesel, ethanol, methanol, natural gas, etc. Use of these fuels will reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and improve air quality.

### Energy/Water-Efficient Products

Products such as lighting, appliances, office equipment, etc. all have energy-efficient options. Federal sites are required to procure/purchase energy-efficient products. Many qualifying energy-efficient products are marked Energy Star. Computers and other electronics are assessed through EPEAT. EPEAT reviews not only the energy efficiency, but also the products recyclable content, use of toxic metals, end of life management, etc. Water-efficient products will be marked with the WaterSense symbol, indicating that the product meets EPA's criteria for water efficiency.

### Sustainable Products in the Fermilab Stockroom

Sustainable products are available in the Stock Room. They include: non-toxic de-greaser, non-toxic glass cleaner, recycled content lumber, recycled content oil, recycled content paper, remanufactured toner cartridges, recycled content trash bags, and recycled content wipes. More will be added in the future.



## Electronics Recycling

On August 11, 2011 an Illinois bill was signed that overhauls the state's Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Act. The bill requires more items be recycled, increases recycling goals for state manufacturers, and creates stronger penalties for those who don't comply.

Effective immediately, the law extends the state's landfill ban on electronics to include keyboards, portable music devices, scanners, video game consoles and other items. The old law included computer monitors, televisions and printers. Help protect our environment and create jobs in the disassembly and reuse of these materials.

If you have electronics at home, see [dupageco.org/recycling](http://dupageco.org/recycling) or [countyofkane.org/pages/recycling/](http://countyofkane.org/pages/recycling/) for information on recycling.

