

McKesson Succeeds in Sustainability with Smart Purchasing

McKesson is in the business of taking care of patients but we also go beyond caring for people. The environment is equally as important to us and we prioritize purchasing products that help us reduce our impact on the global community.

With over 37,700 employees, selecting computers and monitors is no small endeavor. Our buying power makes a big impact on the environment. That's why the McKesson Procurement team thinks strategically about selecting IT products, suppliers and e-waste management.

"Procurement has implemented a Supplier Scorecard program and one of the criteria within the Scorecard is recognizing Suppliers that are proactive in adopting pro-environment and "green" products and processes," explains Debbie Vaughan, IT Sourcing Manager, McKesson.

Because McKesson is committed to reducing our footprint on the planet, we strive to select products that are designed with energy efficiency in mind.

In FY12, McKesson purchased approximately 12,000 Dell computers and 3,100 ViewSonic monitors. These specific suppliers were selected because they are committed to providing products that are made of recycled content, energy efficient, and have components that are readily recyclable at the end of use. By selecting products that are sustainably designed and packaged, McKesson is improving the safety and health of our employees and communities.

By using energy efficient equipment from Dell, McKesson reduced energy use as follows:

Energy Savings with Dell models Latitude E5420 and Optiplex 390	
Kilowatt Hours	327,411 kWh
Dollars saved in electric bill	\$39,358
CO2 Avoidance	228 tons of carbon dioxide avoided in the air

McKesson's Procurement team takes a comprehensive approach to electronics management by buying efficient equipment and then at the end of use, ensures proper recycling and disposal of the equipment. McKesson made an informed decision to choose Arrow-Intechra to manage the company's enterprise-wide e-waste program.

Under McKesson's agreement with Arrow-Intechra, no e-waste is sent overseas, Debbie explains. "If not recycled properly, e-waste can be potentially devastating to the environment and can pose serious health concerns."

The chart below illustrates McKesson's environmental impact through our enterprise e-waste process:

Arrow Intechra – Processed E-waste (FY12)

564	Reused CPUs	1,887	Recycled CPUs
0	Reused CRTs	974	Recycled CRTs
313	Reused LCDs	375	Recycled LCDs
29	Reused notebooks	79	Recycled notebooks
0	Reused phones	471	Recycled phones
2,861	Pounds of other Reused	518,567	Pounds other recycled

Landfill Impact

Total e-waste prevented from entering the solid waste stream 655,143 lbs