

# Kimberly-Clark Corporation Ranks No. 9 On EPA's Fortune 500 Green Power List

## ***KIMBERLY-CLARK CORPORATION A LEADING USER OF GREEN POWER***

**DALLAS**, Jan. 27, 2009 - Kimberly-Clark Corporation announced today that for the first time it appears on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) National Top 50 List of the largest green power users.

Kimberly-Clark's Everett, Wash. facility uses an innovative process to utilize waste from the facility's pulp manufacturing process to generate over 220 million kilowatt hours (kWh) of renewable energy annually. This on-site generation of green power equals over 7 percent of Kimberly Clark's purchased electricity use in the United States.

Today the EPA updated each of its National Top Partner lists, highlighting some of America's largest green power purchasers and users. Kimberly-Clark Corporation currently ranks No. 15 on EPA's National Top 50 List of America's largest green power users. EPA updates its Top Partner Lists quarterly at <http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/toplists/>.

EPA is challenging Fortune 500 Corporations to collectively exceed 10 billion kilowatt-hours of green power use by the end of 2009. Kimberly-Clark Corporation's use ranks No. 9 among participating Fortune 500 corporations.

"Inclusion on the EPA list of the nation's top green power users is a welcome recognition of Kimberly-Clark's strong environmental commitment and of our company's support for the development of renewable energy," said Drew Barfoot, Kimberly-Clark's Vice President of Environment, Energy, Safety Quality and Sustainability. "Green power has proven to be a sound, sustainable business decision for Kimberly-Clark."

Green power is electricity that is generated from environmentally preferable renewable resources, such as wind, solar, geothermal, biogas, biomass and low-impact hydro. These resources generate electricity with a net zero increase in carbon dioxide emissions, while offering a superior environmental profile compared to traditional power generation sources.

"America is shifting to a 'green culture,' with more and more businesses taking important steps to combat climate change," said Kathleen Hogan, Director of the Climate Protection Partnerships Division at the EPA. "EPA commends Kimberly-Clark Corporation for making a long-term commitment to protecting the environment by producing on-site green power."

According to the U.S. EPA, Kimberly-Clark Corporation's production of over 220 million kWh of green power is equivalent to avoiding the carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions of more than 29,000 passenger vehicles per year, or is the equivalent amount of electricity needed to power more than 21,000 average American homes annually.

In addition to the Green Power Partnership, Kimberly-Clark is also a member of the EPA's Energy Star program and recently received the EPA's "SmartWay Excellence Award" for its leadership in conserving energy and lowering greenhouse gas emissions through the agency's SmartWay Transportation Partnership. The company is also an Energy Partner in the EPA's Landfill Methane Outreach Program.

On a global basis, for the fourth consecutive year, Kimberly-Clark ranked No. 1 in 2008 among personal products companies in the Dow Jones Sustainability World Indexes. The DJSI World rankings are based on the long-term economic, environmental and social performance of leading global companies across 57 industries.

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