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Three Shades of Green

ChemStation offers three lines of cleaning solutions and all of them are green. Our original line of products has always been environmentally friendly, biodegradable, and water-based. Since 2008, we've added two more green choices – GreenSystem® Cleaners and US EPA Design for the Environment (DfE) Products.

With GreenSystem you get all the benefits of our regular products and they're manufactured locally to meet the following formulation criteria:

- VOC-compliant
- Contain biodegradable detergents
- No chlorine bleach or ammonia
- No alkylphenol ethoxylates
- No 2-butoxyethanol
- No hazardous air pollutants
- No flammable solvents
- Non-DOT-corrosive
- No carcinogens
- No phosphates

Our DfE line of products (that carry the US EPA seal) meet all of the above standards and have passed the rigid requirements and screening for each ingredient within the product for potential human health and environmental effects. The DfE seal insures that the product contains only those ingredients that pose the least concern among chemicals in their class.

Combine any of our products with the refillable container delivery system and you've got the perfect answer to your green concerns. Refill…not landfill.

GreenSystem®
Refill...Not Landfill®

Design for the Environment
U.S. EPA

THINKING GREEN

One way to keep your vehicle's fuel mileage as high as possible is to minimize the unnecessary baggage rolling around in your trunk or back seat. An extra 100 pounds in your vehicle can reduce your miles per gallon by 2%. Achieving the best fuel mileage possible is good for your wallet and also reduces the burden on our precious natural resources.

Thousands of gallons of water are sprayed over lawns every year in an effort to keep them green. Homeowners can spread mulch on their lawns and around plants to help limit the amount of water lost due to evaporation, reducing the amount of water needed to keep lawns looking healthy. Mulch also curbs weed growth and can add needed nutrients to the soil.

If lunch is part of your work day make a commitment to bring it from home. Fast (and vending machine) food creates a tremendous amount of waste in the form of packaging, including plastic utensils and disposable bottles and caps. Instead, pack your lunch in reusable containers and bring an insulated thermos with your favorite beverage.

Interior lighting accounts for 15 percent of the average home's electricity use. One way to slim down your lighting costs is to replace incandescent bulbs with compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs). Although CFLs cost 3 to 10 times more than comparable incandescent bulbs, they last 6 to 15 times as long and use between 50% and 80% less energy – definitely a bright idea!

New Book Offers Science-Based Solutions

Safe By Accident: Leadership Practices that Build a Sustainable High Performance Safety Culture is a new book that moves beyond finger-pointing to suggest how behavioral science can help safety professionals and leaders eliminate bad practices and improve safety culture.

The authors are behavioral and safety specialists Aubrey Daniels and Judy Agnew. Using case studies and examples from a wide variety of industries, the authors challenge the effectiveness of commonly used safety incentives and lay out a step-by-step solution for creating safer, more successful workplaces.



OSHA's Top 10 Most Cited Violations

Recently OSHA revealed the top 10 most cited violations in fiscal year 2010. OSHA issued approximately 94,000 citations in FY 2010. This list of top 10 represents between 48 and 49 percent of total violations issued.

1. Scaffolding, General
2. Fall Protection
3. Hazard Communication
4. Respiratory Protection
5. Ladders
6. Lockout/Tagout
7. Electrical, Wiring Methods
8. Powered Industrial Trucks
9. Electrical, General
10. Machine Guarding

New Year's Resolutions

- I will no longer waste my time reliving the past – instead I will spend it worrying about the future.
- I will avoid taking a bath whenever possible and conserve more water.
- I will assure my lawyer that I will never again show up drunk at a custody hearing.
- I will give up chocolates totally. 100%. Completely. Honestly....
- I will try to figure out why I really need nine e-mail addresses.
- I resolve to work with neglected children – my own.
- I will spend less than one hour a day on the Internet. This, of course, will be hard to estimate since I'm not a clock watcher.
- I will read the manual... just as soon as I can find it.
- I will think of a password other than "password."
- I will cut my hair.
- I will grow my hair.
- I will be more imaginative.
- I will not ring the flight attendant button on airplanes just to get her phone number.

THIS YEAR I WILL...

SOAPBOX

If at first you don't succeed, failure may be your style.

Luck is a tag given by the mediocre to account for the accomplishments of genius.

There's always free cheese in the mousetrap.

Life is a compromise of what your ego wants to do, what experience tells you to do, and what your nerves let you do.

Love at first sight sure saves a lot of time.

You can listen to thunder after lightning and tell how close you came to getting hit. If you don't hear it, you got hit…so it doesn't matter anyway.

The scientific theory I like best is that the rings of Saturn are composed entirely of lost airline luggage.

Will power is being able to eat just one salted peanut.

You're never too old to learn new ways of being stupid.

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By the Numbers



Gallons of soap delivered:
160,489,470 since 1984



Empty drums not in landfills:
2,917,990 since 1984