



# EPC of Hillsborough County Green Star Program



- ❖ Green Star is an industry friendly program designed to encourage auto repair facilities to go above and beyond environmental compliance through the use of Best Management Practices (BMPs) and Pollution Prevention (P2) strategies.
- ❖ EPC utilizes a compliance workbook and self-audit checklist developed by FDEP specifically for the auto repair industry. EPC's Green Star Program is a non-regulatory program that promotes the BMPs and P2 opportunities listed in the workbook.
- ❖ In March 2005, EPC co-sponsored a workshop with FDEP and the Florida Automotive Trade Association (FATA) to present the workbook and Green Star Program to the auto repair industry.



- ❖ Auto repair facilities are inspected and the workbook, checklist and the advantages of becoming a "Green Star" facility are emphasized.
- ❖ Once the facility completes the checklist, it is submitted to EPC for review.
- ❖ After review, a certification inspection is performed to ensure what is on paper is actually being implemented.
- ❖ Facilities that are in compliance and successfully implement the necessary BMPs and P2 elements are certified as a "Green Star" facility.
- ❖ A Certificate of Recognition and a "Green Star" decal are presented to each facility advertising to their customers that they achieved "green" facility status.

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