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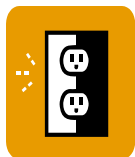
ISO14001 Audit Results – As you all know, we had another EMS audit in November and it went very well! Gary was back from Underwriters Laboratories, he spent two days in Salem and one day in Eugene (I promise I had nothing to do with him not coming to Portland). Other than a few housekeeping observations and some documentation suggestions, he was quite impressed with how our EMS is working. If you would like to see the full report, please go to your EMS Shortcut and click on ISO14001 Audit Reports.

NEW OBJECTIVES AND TARGETS

During the yearly review of our objectives and targets, the EMS Core Team discussed adding a new objective. We feel that **Alternative Fuels** is an important area for Fleet, and **increasing awareness and usage of alternative fuel** is something that Fleet should be responsible for. Once the new objective has been approved and added to our current list, I will update all of the posters and send a revised list to everyone.

Coming Soon
2008 Performance Report

Tip Of the season



Up to 20% of air leakage can occur from exterior wall outlets. Insulate and seal those drafty outlets by placing precut, foam gaskets between the cover and the switch or plug. These flexible gaskets fit snugly around the switch. They help reduce the cold air from entering your home, conserving energy and saving you money.



Helpful hints to save vehicle fuel

Myth #1 – Keeping your tires properly inflated won't save money.

Wrong! It improves gas mileage by as much as 3%. Getting the heavy junk out of your trunk can save even more.

Myth #2 – Idling is necessary to warm up your car properly.

Wrong! With today's modern engines, even in cold weather, you need no more than 20 seconds of idling before driving.

Myth #3 – Carpooling is just a hassle.

Wrong again! Carpooling just twice a week can save up to \$300 a year in gas.

Myth #4 – Topping off the gas tank is the right choice.

Wrong! Topping off the gas tank can result in paying for gasoline that is fed back into the station's tanks, plus chemicals in gasoline vapor, including benzene, escape creating air pollution.

Go to www.drivesmarterchallenge.org

The EMS Core Team – WANTS YOU! The Core Team is looking for anyone who would like to join our team. If you have always wondered what it is exactly that we do – if you are excited about the environment – if you have some great ideas you want to share... come and sit in on our next meeting. January 5th 11:00 – 12:00