

Pollution Prevention Research and Outreach

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KEY ISSUE: How should consumer and industrial products and services be designed, manufactured, and used for a minimal effect on the environment?

Since 1988, the Pollution Prevention Research Branch (PPRB) at USEPA's Risk Reduction Engineering Laboratory in Cincinnati, Ohio, has supported projects and provided technical assistance to encourage the development and adoption of technologies, products, and pollution prevention (P2) techniques to reduce environmental pollution. To date, approximately \$10 million dollars have been expended to support this program. The program focuses on five major areas which include:

Cleaner Production Technologies: To develop, demonstrate and evaluate innovative processes for reducing pollution through source reduction.

Cleaner Products: To support the design and development of products whose manufacture, use, recycle and disposal represent reduced impacts on the environment.

Tools to Support Pollution Prevention: To develop life cycle assessment and measurement methodologies to guide pollution prevention strategies.

Pollution Prevention Assessments: To identify P2 opportunities in a variety of industries and to transfer that technical information to assist others in implementing pollution prevention.

Cooperative P2 Projects with Other Federal Agencies: To promote pollution prevention in other Federal Agencies through cooperative research, training, and demonstration projects.

This poster displays personnel and newer manuals produced by the Branch. Handouts will be available describing the ongoing projects and Branch publications. Members of the Branch will be available periodically for discussion.

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