

# **ODP Business Solutions Recognizes Customers for Green Purchasing Efforts**

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Dallas County, University of Northern Iowa, Central Garden & Pet, and Others Celebrated for Their Commitment to Greener Purchasing

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BOCA RATON, Fla.--(<u>BUSINESS WIRE</u>)--ODP Business Solutions is a prominent B2B supplier of workplace and technology solutions that help businesses of all sizes adapt and thrive in a dynamic business landscape. The company has recognized several of its significant clients today for their efforts in promoting eco-conscious procurement practices. These clients include:

- Alamo Colleges District
- Central Garden & Pet
- ClassWallet (EPEAT Purchaser Award Winner)
- Dallas County
- ItemGrabber
- Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP
- State of Mississippi
- Texas REALTORS®
- TravelCenters of America
- University of Northern Iowa
- Yakima School District

"Our efforts towards sustainability at ODP Business Solutions commence with our own dedication to minimizing our ecological footprint. However, we acknowledge the fact that our customers also prioritize environmental sustainability," stated David Centrella, president of ODP Business Solutions. "We recognize and appreciate customers who make eco-conscious purchases and celebrate their contribution towards helping to safeguard our planet. We encourage them to continue making more sustainable choices in the future."

The award winners were selected for their expenditure on environmentally conscious products that possess characteristics such as recycled content, energy efficiency, and reduced use of harsh chemicals, among others. The selection process prioritized customer purchases with substantial eco-attributes. Furthermore, products that were labeled with ecolabels such as FSC®, EPEAT, GREENGUARD Certification, Green Seal®, and ECOLOGO® were also taken into account.

To assist customers in achieving their environmental sustainability objectives, ODP Business Solutions provides a range of resources, such as <u>The</u> <u>Green Book® Digital Catalog</u> for a more convenient eco-conscious shopping experience, a <u>GreenerOffice™ web stor</u>®ffering thousands of products with eco-attributes, and an experienced sustainability team. Moreover, ODP Business Solutions features one of the foremost collections of Greener Solutions and reporting tools in the industry, several of which were created in cooperation with specific customers.

In addition, ODP Business Solutions and Global Electronics Council (GEC) have announced a recent collaboration that acknowledges a business that has taken substantial measures to reduce its environmental impact by choosing products that comply with EPEAT ecolabel's stringent sustainability standards. EPEAT's rating system evaluates products on a lifecycle basis, taking into account factors like the elimination of toxic substances, the use of recyclable and recycled materials, design for recycling, product durability, energy efficiency, corporate performance, and packaging characteristics. Products that satisfy sustainability requirements receive a rating of Gold, Silver, or Bronze.

"At Global Electronics Council, we are dedicated to promoting more sustainable and responsible practices throughout the electronics industry," said Bob Mitchell, CEO of Global Electronics Council. "Under our retailer program, GEC is excited to collaborate with ODP Business Solutions to recognize companies that are leading the way in sustainable purchasing."

"At ODP Business Solutions, we remain committed to providing our customers with the tools and resources they need to achieve their sustainability goals and appreciate great partners like GEC who align to both our values and our customers' values," said Centrella.

For more information about ODP Business Solutions' sustainability initiatives and tools, click here.

#### **About ODP Business Solutions**

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#### **About Global Electronics Council**

The Global Electronics Council (GEC) is a mission-driven nonprofit that leverages the power of purchasers to create a world where only sustainable technology is bought and sold. GEC manages the EPEAT ecolabel, a free resource for procurement professionals to identify and select more sustainable products. In addition, the EPEAT ecolabel is a resource for manufacturers to demonstrate that their products conform to the highest sustainability standards. Since its launch in 2006, procurement professionals have reported purchases of 2.4 billion EPEAT products, generating cost savings of \$24.6 billion USD and a reduction of 286 million metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions. To learn more, visit www.gec.org and www.epeat.net or to follow GEC on LinkedIn and Twitter.

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