

## **National Cement**

### **Earns EPA's ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> Certification for Superior Energy Efficiency**

National Cement located in Lebec, CA, has earned the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) ENERGY STAR certification for 2011, which signifies that the industrial facility performs in the top 25 percent of similar facilities nationwide for energy efficiency and meets strict energy efficiency performance levels set by the EPA. This is the second year in a row the Company has been the recipient of this honor.

National Cement is pleased to accept EPA's ENERGY STAR certification in recognition of our energy efficiency efforts," said Pascal Lamontagne, Assistant Plant Manager. "Through this achievement, we have demonstrated our commitment to environmental stewardship while also lowering our energy costs."

Earning ENERGY STAR certification highlights National Cement's status within the top 25 percent of cement plants in the nation with regard to energy performance. National Cement improved its energy performance by managing energy strategically across the entire organization and by making cost-effective improvements to its plant.

"Improving the energy efficiency of our nation's industrial facilities is critical to protecting our environment," said Jean Lupinacci, Chief of the ENERGY STAR Commercial & Industrial Branch. "From the plant floor to the board room, organizations are leading the way by making their facilities more efficient and earning EPA's ENERGY STAR certification."

ENERGY STAR was introduced by EPA in 1992 as a voluntary, market-based partnership to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through energy efficiency. Today, the ENERGY STAR label can be found on more than 60 different kinds of products as well as new homes and commercial and industrial buildings that meet strict energy-efficiency specifications set by the EPA. Last year alone, Americans, with the help of ENERGY STAR, saved \$18 billion on their energy bills while reducing the greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to those of 34 million vehicles.

For more information about ENERGY STAR Certification for Industrial Facilities:  
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