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Polymeric Labels Inc. selected for Small Business Environmental Stewardship Award

The National Steering Committee (NSC) of Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAPs) and Small Business Ombudsmen (SBO) have recognized Polymeric Labels Inc. with the 2019 Small Business Environmental Stewardship Award. The company, based in Lawrence, Kansas, was recognized for its accomplishments in the areas of improving environmental performance, pollution prevention, sustainability and mentoring.

Polymeric Labels Inc. was recognized for working with the Kansas SBEAP on an air permit determination, and assistance with emissions calculations and the permit application process. As a new screen printing facility unfamiliar with regulations, Polymeric Labels Inc. worked to find the best chemical usage and practices to minimize its impact on the environment before starting operations.

“With the help of SBEAP, we have been able to acquire the permit required to move our business forward along the correct path. We look forward to many years ahead working with SBEAP and hopefully being an example to other businesses wanting to use their services,” said Greg Marlor, plant manager and chief operating officer of Polymeric Labels Inc.

“Small businesses face many challenges in today’s business climate, so the NSC is pleased to be able to recognize Polymeric Labels Inc. for their efforts going above and beyond in their environmental performance. The SBEAPs are in place across the country to support small businesses; Polymeric Labels Inc. is a strong example of the value that can come from a small business working closely with its state SBEAP,” said Lisa Ashenbrenner Hunt, SBEAP/SBO NSC chair.

The SBEAP/SBO NSC Awards are the States’ premier awards program for recognizing outstanding environmental leadership among small businesses and small business assistance providers. These awards recognize small businesses, SBEAP/SBO programs and individuals, trade associations and other business assistance providers who have made significant contributions to protecting the environment. The awards program is sponsored by the SBEAP/SBO NSC in partnership with U.S. EPA Asbestos and Small Business Office.

The NSC Awards were presented at the 2019 Annual SBEAP/SBO Training in Chicago, IL, May 15, 2019.

More information about the state SBEAP/SBO is available at <https://nationalsbeap.org/>.

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About the Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs and Small Business Ombudsmen

The Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAP) and Small Business Ombudsmen (SBO) were created under Section 507 of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. For more than 25 years, the SBEAP/SBO have provided extensive, hands-on technical assistance to small businesses across the country to help them understand and comply with complex environmental regulations. The SBEAP/SBO website, <https://nationalsbeap.org/>, is a resource for program participants and small businesses. Find your state-specific contact at: <https://nationalsbeap.org/states>