

# Partnership Agreement



**T**he EPA Green Power Partnership encourages the voluntary use of green power to reduce the risk of climate change. Partners benefit from the use of green power, while supporting the development of new, renewable energy in the United States. To learn more visit [www.epa.gov/greenpower](http://www.epa.gov/greenpower).

## By joining EPA's Green Power Partnership, Partners commit to:

- Use green power that meets or exceeds Partnership requirements.
- Report on green power use annually.
- Use the Green Power Partner mark in a manner that is consistent with Partner mark use guidelines, available at [www.epa.gov/greenpower/green-power-partner-mark-use-and-display-guidelines](http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/green-power-partner-mark-use-and-display-guidelines)

## In return, EPA commits to:

- Provide public recognition.
- Provide procurement and communications assistance, as requested by Partner.
- Provide a brief description of the Partner's green power commitment on the Green Power Partnership website.

## General Terms:

- Either party can terminate this agreement at any time without prior notification or penalties and with no further obligation. EPA will not comment publicly regarding the withdrawal of Partners.
- Partner agrees that the activities it undertakes connected with this voluntary agreement are not intended to provide services to the federal government and that the Partner will not seek compensation from a federal agency.
- Partner agrees that it will not claim or imply that its participation in the Green Power Partnership constitutes EPA approval or endorsement of anything other than its participation in the program and will not make statements or imply that EPA endorses the purchase or sale of the Partner's products and services or the views of the Partner organization.
- EPA may post and/or share information about the Partner's green power use publicly.
- EPA may periodically revise program benchmark levels or other eligibility requirements.

## Key Green Power Partnership Requirements

Your Organization's Electricity Use If your annual electricity use is...	Green Power Partner Requirements You must, at a minimum, use this much green power
≥ 100,000,001 kWh	7% of your use
10,000,001 - 100,000,000 kWh	10% of your use
1,000,001 - 10,000,000 kWh	25% of your use
100,000* - 1,000,000 kWh	50% of your use

\*Organizations that use more than 100,000 kWh are eligible for Partnership.

- Eligible green power includes electricity generated from solar, wind, geothermal, biogas, and certain forms of biomass and hydropower.
- Green power must be sourced from eligible U.S.-based generation facilities.
- Requirement can be met with any combination of green power products (i.e., utility product, RECs, or on-site generation).
- Partner purchases must be voluntary and incremental to the renewable electricity included in the standard electricity service.
- Requirements must be entirely met with power from "new" renewable facilities (i.e., installed within the last 15 years).
- Partners may join organization-wide (U.S. operations only), at the facility-level, or a logical aggregation of facilities less than organization-wide.

More details are available in the Partnership Requirements Document, [www.epa.gov/greenpower/requirements-green-power-partnership](http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/requirements-green-power-partnership)

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OR EMAIL TO [critchfield.james@epa.gov](mailto:critchfield.james@epa.gov) (must be signed and scanned).**

## Authorizing Official:

On behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, the undersigned understands and agrees to the terms of the Partnership.  
(Name of organization or entity)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title:  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:

## Primary Contact:

Name:  
Title:  
Address:  
City: State: Zip:  
Phone:  
Email (required):

## Public Relations Contact (optional):

Name:  
Title:  
Address:  
City: State: Zip:  
Phone:  
Email:

## Electricity and Green Power Information

Reporting Period: The electricity and green power information listed below covers the following 12-month period.

Reporting Period Start Date Reporting Period End Date

Annual electricity use of participating entity: \_\_\_\_\_ kWh/year (must be > 100,000 kWh)

### Purchased Green Power

Green power purchase: \_\_\_\_\_ kWh /year

#### Contract details

Start date: \_\_\_\_\_ End date (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

#### Green power resource mix

% biogas      % biomass      % geothermal  
% small hydro      % solar      % wind

#### Product certification (third party):

Green-e     Not certified     Other

If other, by whom?

Name of green power provider(s):

Green power product name(s):

### On-site Use of Green Power

Green power generation: \_\_\_\_\_ kWh /year\*

Resource type:  biogas     biomass     geothermal  
 small hydro     solar     wind

Was the on-site unit installed in the last 15 years?  Yes     No

Installed capacity: \_\_\_\_\_ kW

Location of on-site generation (ZIP code):

Installation ownership:  self     other

If other, by whom?

\* EPA will only count as green power kWh generated from on-site installations for which the participating entity owns the rights to the renewable energy credits (RECs).

## Motivating factors behind your green power use (optional) (check all that apply)

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brand or product differentiation     | <input type="checkbox"/> EPA recognition           | <input type="checkbox"/> Reduce carbon footprint                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cost stability or savings            | <input type="checkbox"/> LEED certification        | <input type="checkbox"/> Support economic development & job creation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Demonstrate environmental leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Meet sustainability goals | <input type="checkbox"/> Support renewable energy development        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                |  |  |

The government estimates the average time needed to fill out this form is 1.96 hours and welcomes suggestions for reducing this level of effort. Send comments (referencing OMB control number) to the Director, Collection Strategies Division, U.S. EPA (2822T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20460.

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