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Green Business partnership adds five more members in September

Sarasota County's Green Business Partnership added five more members to its growing roster of companies in September, bringing the total number to 65. The newest Green Business partners demonstrating their commitment to a healthy environment for employees and the community at large are:

- **Polaris Property Management, 3773 Oak Grove Drive, Sarasota** — Polaris Property Management provides management programs for condominiums and homeowners associations. The company recycles virtually every scrap of paper, reuses paper and binders, and even recycles paper clips.
- **FETCH! Pet Care, 918 Indian Beach Drive, Sarasota** — This unique franchise offers a range of pet care services. In September 2008, the company was named one of *Inc.* magazine's 5,000 fastest-growing private companies in the United States. FETCH! has a comprehensive recycling program, a zero-water, Florida-friendly landscape, and provides biodegradable pet waste collection bags to customers.
- **Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., Sarasota** — Kimley-Horn ranks among the world's 40 largest design firms, and from 2005-2008 has been named one of *Fortune* magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work for." The company uses its internal company Web site to reduce its waste stream and has integrated environmental policies into its new orientation program.
- **Sarasota Convention & Visitors Bureau, 766 Hudson Ave., Suite A, Sarasota** — The Sarasota Convention & Visitors Bureau is the official and provider of visitor information for Sarasota County. Annually, SCVB responds to more than 100 story leads and 300 media requests. SCVB also has public relations and sales representatives throughout Europe. Its annual visitors' guide is distributed to 135,000 potential visitors every year. The bureau enhanced its office recycling efforts, identified ways to reduce waste, and is implementing several of the energy conservation measures recommended by its FPL energy audit.
- **Baskerville-Donovan, Inc., 6000 Cattleridge Drive, Suite 300, Sarasota** — Baskerville-Donovan, Inc. is a civil engineering firm servicing transportation, stormwater management and land development. BDI was the first firm to develop total reuse systems for wastewater, and the first to obtain permits for advanced treatment discharging to a wetland, in northwest Florida. BDI worked with its property manager to ensure the use of responsible landscaping and building utility practices. The company also implemented several measures to reduce paper waste.

The Green Business Partnership was initiated under a Florida Department of Environmental Protection grant and is open to all businesses in Sarasota County that implement required resource conservation measures and pass an on-site certification assessment. Each certified business receives a Green

Business Partnership certificate and seal they can display to demonstrate their commitment to a healthy environment. They also receive an electronic logo that can be used on company stationary and promotional items.

All of the businesses listed above are now part of a Green Business Partnership directory that is available online at the Green Business Web site, www.scgov.net/greenbusiness.

The Green Business Partnership is actively seeking other participants. For more information, or to request a Green Business Partnership packet, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000.

For more information on the businesses currently certified under the program, visit www.scgov.net/greenbusiness and click on the link entitled, "Participating Businesses."

Media note: A JPEG image of the Green Business Partnership logo is attached.

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