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Three members join Sarasota County's Green Business Partnership

Sarasota County's Green Business Partnership has added three members to the more than 100 certified companies that are demonstrating their commitment to a healthy environment for employees and the community:

Certified Energy Systems

Certified has reduced paper consumption by reusing scrap paper for notepads and not printing e-mails and other electronic documents. The business owner uses a very fuel efficient vehicle that reduces his energy consumption and air pollution.

DwellGreen

DwellGreen's staff practices in their office what they recommend to their clients to reduce their environmental impact and save money. They conscientiously recycle and reduce waste, have installed state-of-the-art LED lighting that reduces their energy consumption and installed a low-flow flush kit in their toilet to save water.

Nellie's Deli, Marketing & Catering

Nellie's Deli, Market and Catering has made an extra effort to green their business. They are aggressively recycling, purchased recycled content and "green" products, compost food waste, and have installed a high-efficiency air conditioning system. They also have introduced a "by request only" policy for providing lids and straws to customers' drinks and provide recycling containers for catered customers.

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.

These three businesses and organizations 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."

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