

IT'S NOT EASY BEING GREEN

At Spectrum Chemical Mfg. Corp. we look at opportunities to be green in everything we do

- Our commitment begins with the Chairman and extends throughout the company
- Setting responsible product policy
- Standard Operating Procedures governing our operations
- Operating under current Good manufacturing practices (cGMP)

At the procurement level

- We reduce the volume of non-compliant imported product by testing near the source
- When a product defect is detected close to the source, reworking is more economical
- Offshore production facility audits
- Analysis within the source country where possible, to minimize domestic disposal

At the production level

- We use aggressive spill-prevention, spill-containment, and seismic preparedness programs
- We practice waste stream minimization:
- Optimal stock levels of expiring chemicals to balance minimization of analytical laboratory waste against disposal minimization
- Diversion of waste to recycling when possible
- Packaging techniques modified to balance disposal waste stream with cleaning waste stream
- Outsourcing certain blending, mixing and reaction operations to dedicated facilities to consolidate the resulting waste streams
- Waste and runoff containment, monitoring and analysis

At the product level

- 1,259 downsized containers to reduce customer disposal costs
- Product Stewardship:
- Distribution controls based on end-user zoning, licensure and potential written use agreements
- Toxic Substances Control Act: end-use restriction and compliance program
- Ozone Depleting Substances end-use restriction, compliance and reporting program
- Screening of all export orders for end-use
- Development of ANSI-compliant Precautionary Labeling from original literature sources whenever possible. This assures the most accurate hazard and disposal information available, allowing end users to optimize their chemical hygiene, waste disposal and preparedness programs
- Packaging intended to minimize spills: PVC-coated bottles, plastic bottles when possible
- 24/7 hazmat incident support

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