2013 Project #1

During 2012, the airbag cover painting process used MEK as a solvent to flush out the paint lines during color changes. The rags that were used for cleaning were managed as hazardous waste. The painting engineer determined that a citrus based solvent could be used as a substitute for the MEK. Because of the substitution, the solvent contaminated rag waste stream was eliminated thus eliminating the amount of hazardous waste generated by the facility.

2012 solvent contaminated rags disposed as hazardous waste: 23 x 55 gallon drums
2013 solvent contaminated rags disposed as hazardous waste: zero

Targeted Goals for 2014:

1. Reduce landfill waste by 1% of the 2013 baseline
2. Reduce utility costs by 1% using the 2013 utility cost baseline
3. Reduce transportation fuel costs by $10,000.