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It is the mission of the Environmentally Preferred Purchasing (EPP) Initiative to encourage and increase the use of products and services that are preferred environmentally within state government and by Michigan P2 partners and businesses, municipalities, and the general public. Environmentally preferred products and services impact the environment less than competing products, taking into account raw materials, production, manufacturing, packaging, distribution, reuse, operation, maintenance, and disposal of the product.



A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Michigan Department of Management and Budget and the MDEQ created a statewide purchasing partnership to increase the use of environmentally preferred products in state government. As a result of this 2001 MOU, an EPP Work Group was established to provide information and guidance for purchasing environmentally preferred products. In support of this partnership, several fact sheets and environmental purchasing bulletins were released highlighting products that were tested and certified to meet performance and environmental standards.

Most recently, the state has been working to promote preferred purchasing to the turf industry through the Michigan Turfgrass Environmental Stewardship Program, the boating industry through the Clean Marina Program, to hotels, motels, bed & breakfasts and resorts through the Green Lodging Michigan Program, and to schools through Community Pollution Prevention Grants as well as to its own internal customers through the State Park Stewardship Initiative and positive contract changes.

The purchase of environmentally preferable products and services by state and local governments will continue to contribute to the overall demand for these types of products and services. This will help increase the number and quality of such products in the marketplace, making it easier for interested individual to purchase environmentally preferred products and services.

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