



# *Michigan Business Pollution Prevention Partnership*

FOSTERING VOLUNTARY POLLUTION PREVENTION IN YOUR COMMUNITY

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## **WHAT IS MBP3**

- ◆ Voluntary, non-regulatory, and business-oriented.
- ◆ Encourages businesses to initiate or expand existing pollution prevention (P2) practices.
- ◆ Recognizes P2 and waste reduction efforts.
- ◆ Shares P2 and reduction efforts through progress reporting and technology transfer among participants.

## **WHO CAN PARTICIPATE**

- ◆ Open to any Michigan business, institution, association, or municipality regardless of size, with or without any current P2 activities.
- ◆ Must be willing to:
  - adopt a pollution prevention policy,
  - identify and voluntarily commit to prevention and reduction goals,
  - report on goal achievements and other P2 accomplishments, and
  - share technological success stories with other MBP3 members.

## **HOW DO YOU GET INVOLVED**

- ◆ Submit a completed MBP3 registration form to the MDEQ-OEA.
- ◆ After committing to the program, you will need to:
  - adopt a company/facility P2 policy,
  - develop, submit to MDEQ-OEA, and work towards accomplishing specific P2 and reduction goals, and
  - report annually on progress toward your goals.

## **WHEN CAN YOU BEGIN**

- ◆ Sign up any time. Your goals should be submitted to MDEQ-OEA within six months of registering.
- ◆ The program is based on the calendar year.
- ◆ Annual reports are due prior to April 1 of each year.

## **WHY SHOULD YOU PARTICIPATE**

- ◆ A business that commits to a voluntary P2 program which eliminates, reduces, or reuses wastes can:
  - reduce waste disposal costs,
  - save on costs for energy, water and raw materials,
  - reduce operating costs,
  - reduce potential liability and enhance community relations,
  - conserve our natural resources and minimize environmental impact,
  - minimize compliance issues by eliminating regulated wastes,
  - assist others in achieving environmental goals, and
  - be recognized for their efforts.