



## On-site Technical Assistance Know Your Partner Benefits

As a member of the Partnership for a Sustainable Georgia, you have access to free, confidential, on-site technical assistance. Take advantage of it! Complete the Partner Request for On-site Technical Assistance form to tell us which of the services mentioned below are of interest to you.

### 1 Gap Assessment Get Started; Find Holes

#### Who Qualifies?

Bronze and Silver Level Partners

#### Why Participate?

Partners may find a gap assessment to be a good place to start. Whether you have just begun to address your environmental impacts or are well on your way to developing an environmental management system (EMS), a gap assessment can help you move forward.

#### What Happens?

A gap assessment helps you compare your current environmental management practices, procedures and systems with the Partnership for a Sustainable Georgia requirements or with an EMS (based on the voluntary international standard ISO 14001:2004). By making this comparison, you can identify ways to develop or enhance your EMS.

### 2 Baseline Assessment Document Starting Point

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#### Who Qualifies?

Bronze Level Partners

#### Why Participate?

If you need help documenting your resource use, waste streams, and emissions, this assessment will be invaluable.

#### What Happens?

A baseline is a snapshot of your resource use, waste streams, and emissions over a specified time period (usually the previous calendar year). This snapshot is a starting point against which you will measure your progress.

Before a baseline assessment can be scheduled, P<sup>2</sup>AD requires you to provide some preliminary information (e.g., utility bills). What type of information is required will depend on your particular assessment needs.

### 3 Natural Resource Conservation & Waste Reduction Assessment Address Specific Needs

#### Who Qualifies?

Bronze, Silver, and Gold Level Partners

#### Why Participate?

If you are interested in assistance with one or more of the focus areas listed below, this assessment will help you direct your resources.

#### What Happens?

We balance your needs with our available resources to determine the scope of the assessment—it may address one specific need or look at your entire operation for one or more focus areas (see below). We tailor our methods and approach to your situation.

#### Focus Areas

- Air emissions
- Discharges to water
- Energy use
- Environmental cost accounting
- Environmentally preferable purchasing
- Green building
- Hazardous waste
- Life cycle analysis
- Materials use
- Product stewardship
- Renewable energy
- Solid waste
- Supply chain management
- Water use and wastewater generation



The Partnership for a Sustainable Georgia works through the GEP to provide Partner assistance. The GEP is a coalition of P<sup>2</sup>AD, the Engineering Outreach Service (EOS) of the University of Georgia, and the Economic Development Institute (EDI) of the Georgia Institute of Technology.



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