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SSA Is Getting Greener Website

SSA is committed to promoting environmental awareness among our employees. As indicated in our Agency Strategic Plan, “we have a responsibility to the public to conduct business in an efficient, economical, and environmentally sound manner.” “Going green” benefits the environment and is fiscally responsible in reducing waste and energy consumption. For years, our agency has undertaken activities that benefit the environment: we recycle; purchase environmentally friendly products; use energy efficient lighting, electronics and appliances; and power our vehicles with alternative fuels. SSA will continue “going green” by expanding projects that increase our procurement of environmentally sound products, ensure our computers and monitors have Energy Star® features, and reuse, donate, or recycle our electronic products.

To this end, the agency has established an “SSA is Getting Greener” website:

<http://ssahost.ba.ssa.gov/SSAisGettingGreener>

This website is an online resource for agency ‘green’ projects and activities and includes information on how we can take advantage of local resources to reduce our environmental impact, both at work and at home. You will find a personal carbon footprint calculator, along with helpful information on local public transportation and recycling. There is even a link to “submit a comment” for suggestions on additional information you think the website should include.

I hope you find the website useful and consider it the agency’s portal to ‘green’ information. Remember, as Albert Einstein said, “The environment is everything that isn’t me.”

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