



Requirements for Membership

Membership in the Suppliers Partnership for the Environment (SP) is open to any company that supplies goods or services to an automotive manufacturer or parts supplier. Also, a non-profit organization having an established commercial relationship with the automotive industry may be considered for an “associate” membership.

Application for membership in SP needs to be made by completing the application form (pages 2-4). A prospective member also needs to indicate the company’s willingness to conduct business in accordance with SP’s bylaws and its anti-trust guidelines – both of which may be found on the SP web site, www.supplierspartnership.org.

Since active participation is an important membership quality, please identify in the application the individual within the company who will be the Board of Directors contact for the organization as well as the individual(s) who will participate in Work Group meetings, and activities and other functions as necessary.

Companies are assessed membership dues based on their total North America corporate sales as indicated on page 2 of this application. **Applications should be mailed to the address below and include payment for membership. SP’s Executive Committee will review the application and upon approval, the membership payment will then be deposited.** SP’s fiscal year runs from January 1 to December 31. A company joining SP at any time between January 1 and June 30 of the year in which they join pays full dues for the year. Any company joining SP after June 30 to December 31 of the year in which they join pays ½ of their normal dues for that year.

Travel and other expenses related to participation in SP activities are the responsibility of each individual company.

Thank you for your interest in SP membership. For more information, please contact:

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Additional Contacts from our company in SP activities will be:

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SP Work Group Activities Participation Form

Name of Company:

The following individuals will participate in the SP Work Groups:

- **Chemical Issues Management Work Group:**
- **Energy Work Group:**
- **Materials Efficiency Work Group:**
- **Technology & Networking Work Group:**



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What is SP?

The Suppliers Partnership for the Environment (SP) is an innovative partnership between automobile original equipment manufacturers and their suppliers and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). SP members work together to improve environmental performance, while providing value throughout the automobile supply chain. SP provides a forum for small, mid-sized and large automotive and vehicle suppliers to learn from each other and share environmental best practices.

How Does SP Provide Value to Your Company?

SP provides value to its members by: providing a forum for companies to work together in Work Groups established by the membership; sharing “best practices” and technological advances; and, providing facility-specific technical assistance workshops.

What are SP's Work Groups?

The SP membership determines the Work Group topics and activities. Current Work Groups include:

- Chemical Issues Management – Addresses chemical utilization and reduction in the automobile supply chain.
- Energy – Addresses ways for companies in the automobile supply chain to reduce their energy consumption/carbon footprint and their overall operating costs.
- By-Product Reduction Work Group – Partnering with Goodwill Industries to create pilot SP By-product Reduction Facilities
- Technology & Networking – Providing a mechanism for small and medium size suppliers to communicate and work with OEMs and Tier I supporters.

What are some of SP's Accomplishments?

Examples of the environmental and economic gains that have been achieved through SP are:

- OEMs and SP suppliers have worked together toward the common goal of eliminating chemicals of concern from automotive parts
- Larger suppliers have mentored smaller suppliers in ISO14001 implementation
- OEMs have increased the recycled content in parts by millions of pounds through assistance provided by SP suppliers
- SP members have reduced packaging and containerization impacts through container sharing and reuse initiatives
- Recycling technologies have been openly shared among SP members to tackle challenging waste streams and identify solutions
- EPA has identified government resources (organizations and money) to assist SP members to improve their environmental and economic performance
- EPA/NIST Lean and Green workshops, conducted at 20% of SP member facilities, identified over \$1 million dollars in environmental and economic opportunities
- The relationships and connections made through SP membership have resulted in growth opportunities for many suppliers

What is EPA's Role in SP?

SP is working in a partnership with EPA. EPA participates in SP meetings and provides topics for special projects, information, tools and resources. In addition, EPA brings SP opportunities and resources within other federal agencies such as making professionals from the National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Manufacturing Extension Partnerships (MEPs) available to conduct SP Technical Assistance Workshops addressing issues consistent with SP's objectives.