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Suppliers Partnership for the Environment Introduction

June 2024



Introduction

Our Mission

Since 2002, Suppliers Partnership for the Environment (SP) has been a leadership forum for global vehicle manufacturers and their large and small suppliers to work together to improve the environmental sustainability and business value of the global automotive & mobility supply chain.



Our Leadership

SP is led by a Board of industry sustainability leaders representing vehicle manufacturers, tiered suppliers and small business partners shaping the organization's goals and strategy to make a meaningful impact in contributing to the industry's shared environmental sustainability aspirations.



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Our Focus

Leading companies across industry have announced ambitious environmental sustainability goals aspiring to advance *positive* environmental, economic and community impacts through their operations and value chains.

As members of SP, industry environmental sustainability leaders are coming together to work toward a shared vision of an automotive industry with **positive** environmental impact.



Our Focus

SP facilitates **communication** and **collaboration** across the automotive value chain related to short-term environmental sustainability priorities, while promoting further **alignment** and **action** in support of long-term industry goals.



CARBON NEUTRALITY



CHEMICAL
COMPLIANCE PROCESS
MANAGEMENT



NATURE BASED
SOLUTIONS



SUSTAINABLE
MATERIALS



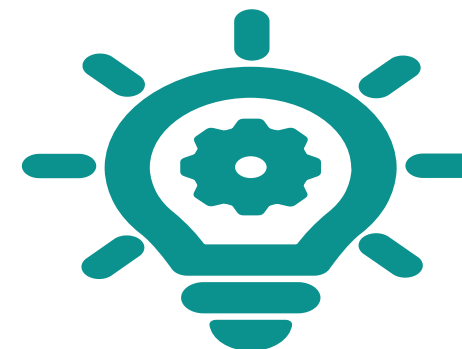
SUSTAINABLE
PACKAGING



SUSTAINABILITY
LEADERSHIP
STRATEGIES



RESPONSIBLE
BATTERIES



TECHNOLOGY &
INNOVATION



TRANSPORTATION &
LOGISTICS
DECARBONIZATION



WATER STEWARDSHIP

Membership Events

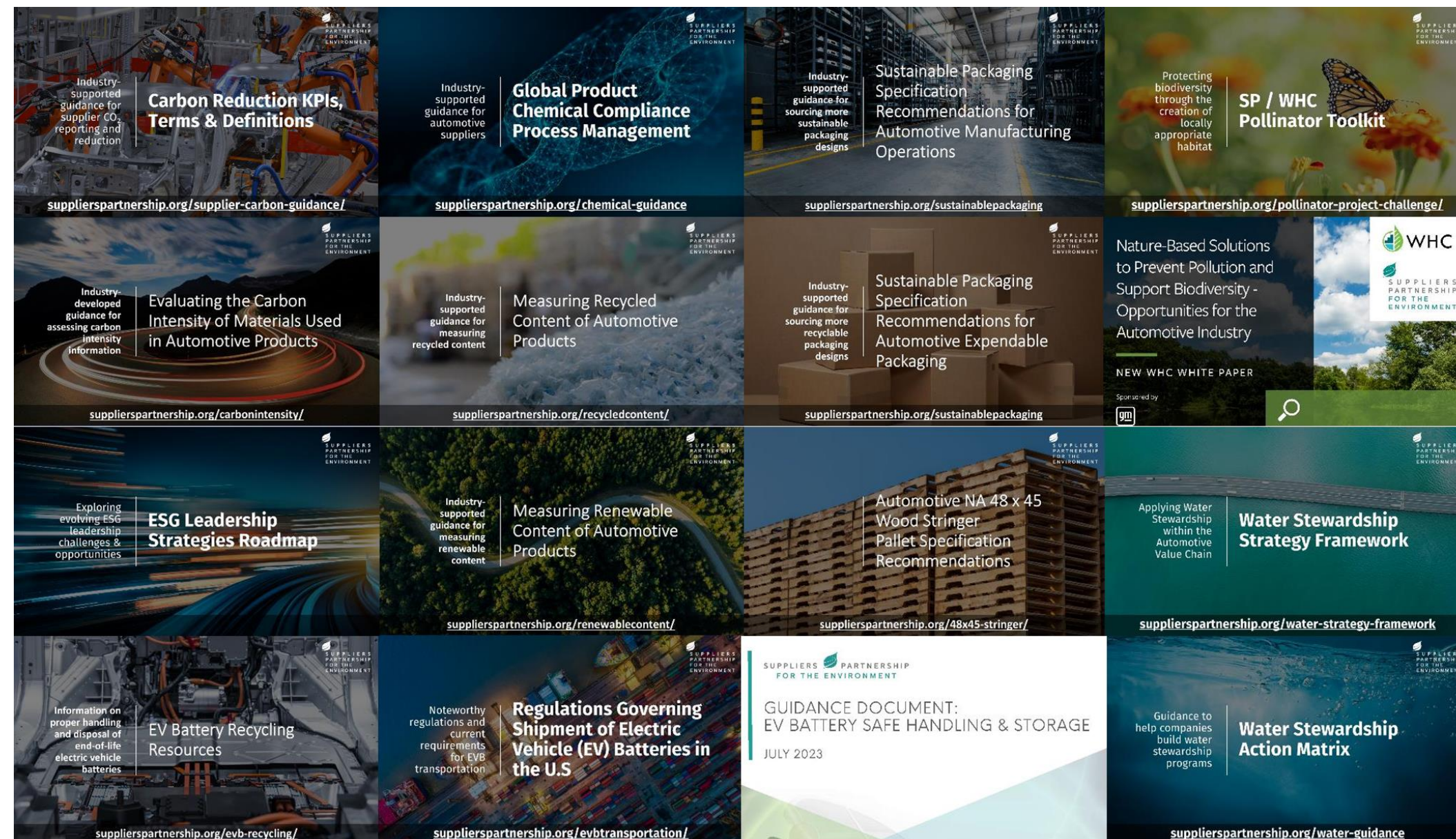
SP hosts quarterly [membership meetings](#) rotating across key automotive regions.

These meetings provide an opportunity for members to connect and share environmental sustainability best practices and strategies with industry peers and partners, learn about emerging issues impacting the environment and their business operations, and identify new opportunities for pre-competitive collaborative action.



Common Resources

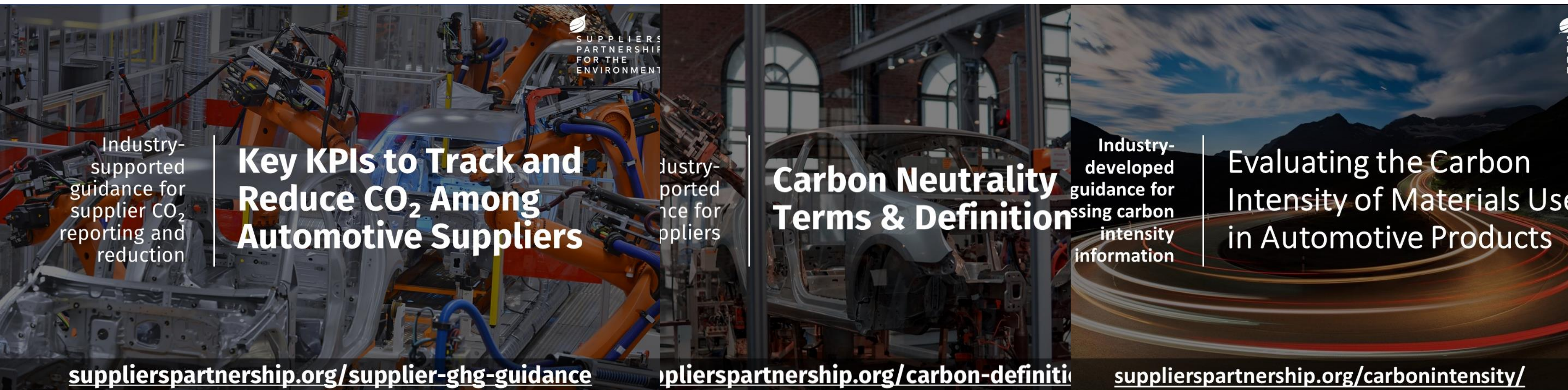
SP is a leading platform to facilitate industry dialogue and action on common definitions, tools, and resources for measuring and advancing progress on automotive environmental sustainability ambitions.



"...We know we cannot achieve this vision alone and welcome additional opportunities to work together with our supplier partners and industry colleagues to support each other in sharing know-how and tools to drive meaningful improvements and accelerate our journey toward a carbon-free society" – OEM, Supplier Sustainability Leader

Carbon Neutrality

Facilitating constructive dialogue between OEMs & suppliers on common approaches, tools and resources to support advancing carbon reduction efforts across the automotive value chain.



ESG Leadership Strategies

Supporting SP members in better understanding the rapidly changing ESG landscape and proactively preparing their organizations to address current and emerging ESG expectations.



SP ESG Leadership ESG Communications and Engagement Roadmap



Early Journey

- Sustainability is discussed in annual report
- Sustainability reporting is done
- Sustainability leader identified

Mid Journey

- There is a Sustainability Committee
- There is a full-time Sustainability Leader
- Sustainability is considered or informs key areas such as procurement, product development, strategic planning

Late Journey



"As automakers and suppliers come together to promote voluntary conservation programs across our respective lands, we have a unique opportunity to create a connected corridor of wildlife habitat spanning our individual operations..." – OEM, Sustainability Director

Nature Based Solutions

Identifying, developing and advancing nature-based solutions as effective tools to improve climate resilience and pollution prevention, as well as provide human well-being and biodiversity benefits.



Pollinator Toolkit

A practical guide to improving and protecting biodiversity through the creation of locally appropriate pollinator habitat



Nature-Based Solutions
to Prevent Pollution and
Support Biodiversity -
Opportunities for the
Automotive Industry

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FEATURED CASE STUDIES

**BMW, Bridgestone,
Chrysler/Stellantis,
DENSO, Ford, General
Motors, Honda, Subaru,
Toyota, Volkswagen,
WM**

"We recognize that companies handling EV batteries after they are removed from vehicles might lack essential information and training to ensure safe handling. Similarly, individuals may unknowingly take risks in their sincere efforts to act responsibly. This SP guidance document serves to bridge this information gap in a rapidly evolving industry, where real-life case studies and best practices are limited" – Battery Recycler, Executive

Responsible Batteries

Promoting information exchange on key challenges and opportunities related to end-of-life management of advanced EV batteries and to identify opportunities for strategic pre-competitive collaboration across the value chain to advance best practice in responsible management of such batteries in North America and beyond.



"We believe that by working together with our suppliers and industry colleagues through organizations like SP, we can collectively scale up our positive impacts and make a significant difference for the environment,"
– OEM, Supplier Sustainability Leader

Sustainable Materials

Working to move the automotive industry towards a circular materials economy by promoting collaboration amongst automotive manufacturers and suppliers to incorporate sustainable practices, processes, and materials in the production and content of vehicles.



Industry-
supported
guidance for
measuring
renewable
content

Measuring Renewable
Content of Automotive
Products

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"We rely on our packaging engineers to design packaging that minimizes environmental impacts, and these new SP guidelines are a strong step forward in providing consistent information to help the industry source more sustainable packaging" – Tier 1, Packaging Director

Sustainable Packaging

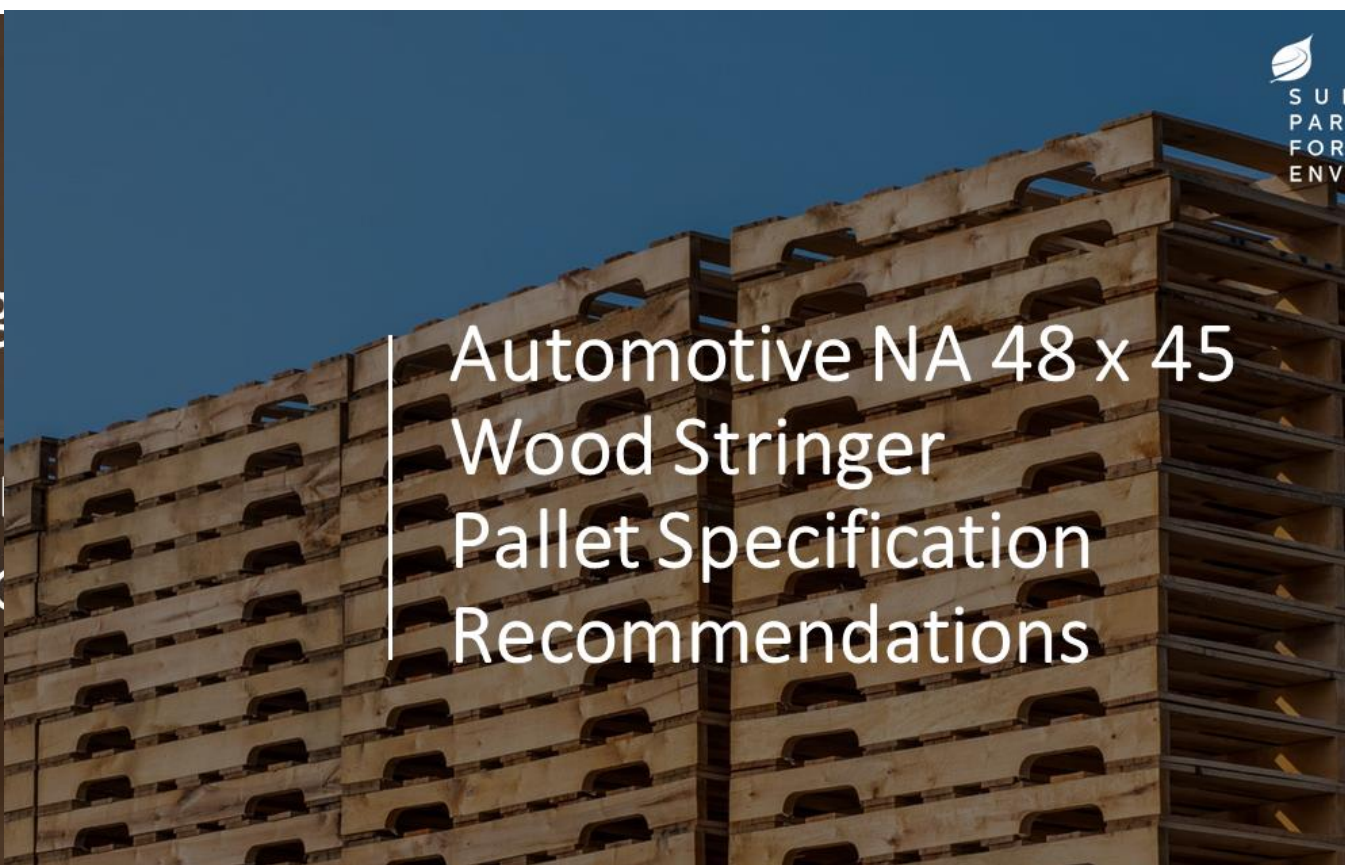
Working to identify voluntary opportunities and best practices to minimize packaging waste and promote consideration of sustainable packaging materials in the design phase.



Industry-supported guidance for sourcing more recyclable packaging designs

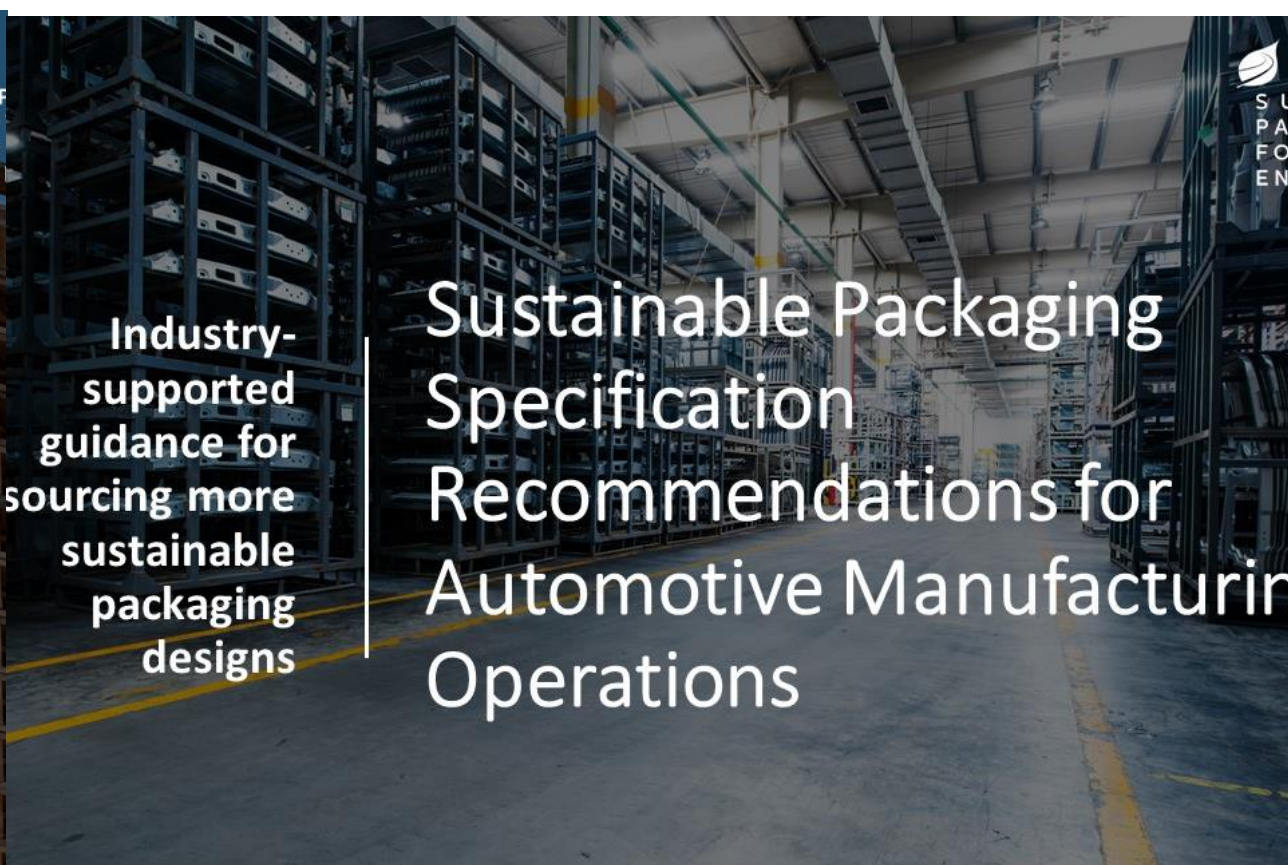
Sustainable Packaging Specification
Recommendations for Automotive Expendable Packaging

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Automotive NA 48 x 45 Wood Stringer Pallet Specification Recommendations

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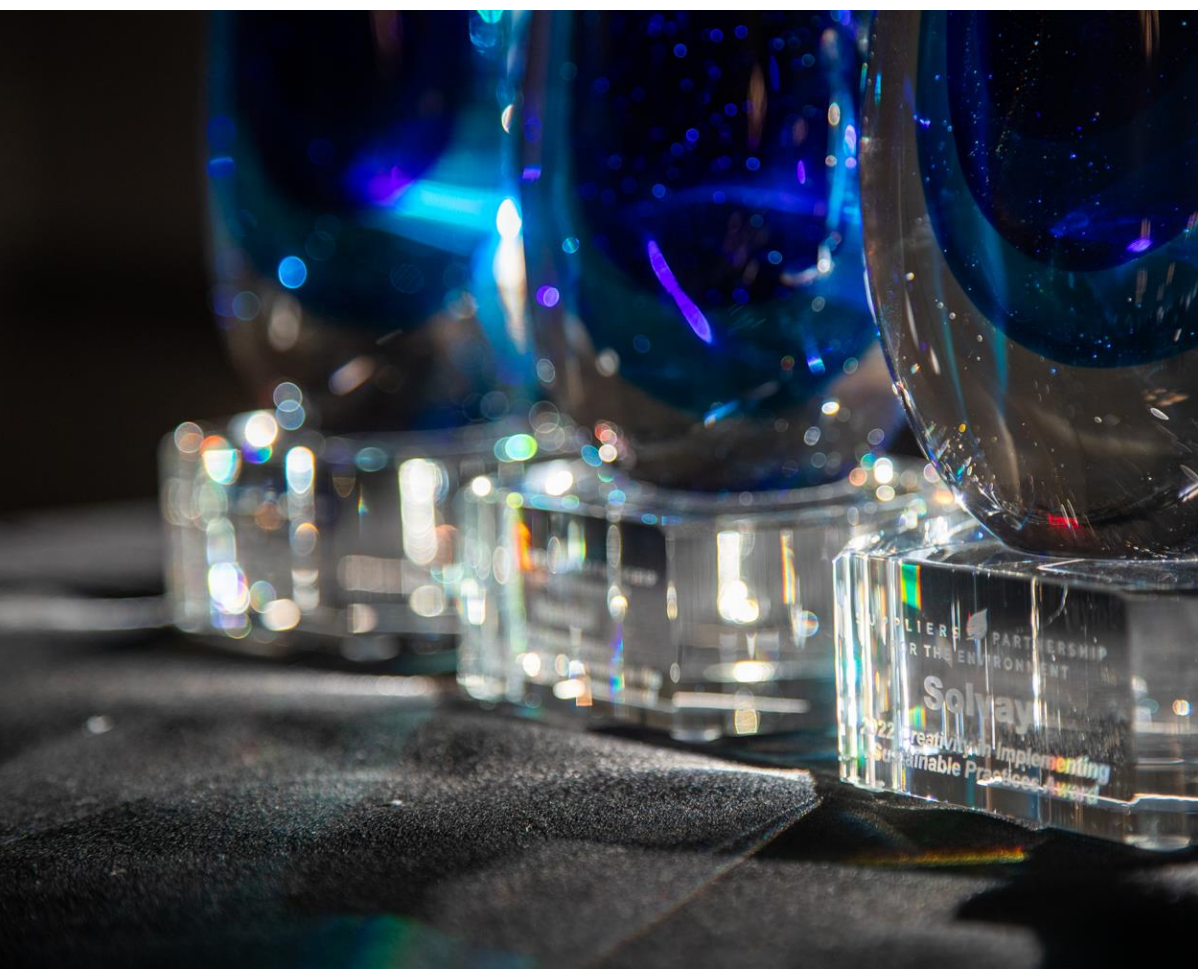
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"The SP Awards Program gives us the opportunity to highlight and share innovative ideas with other leading companies in the automotive industry and helps us all to identify new opportunities to advance best practice through the supply chain,– Supplier, Executive"

Technology & Innovation

Provides a structured process to assist companies of all sizes within the SP network to share innovative ideas and solutions that can address our member companies' significant environmental sustainability challenges and needs



2024 SP Innovation Summit

Accelerating sustainable innovation through the automotive value chain.

July 24-25, 2024
Columbus, Ohio

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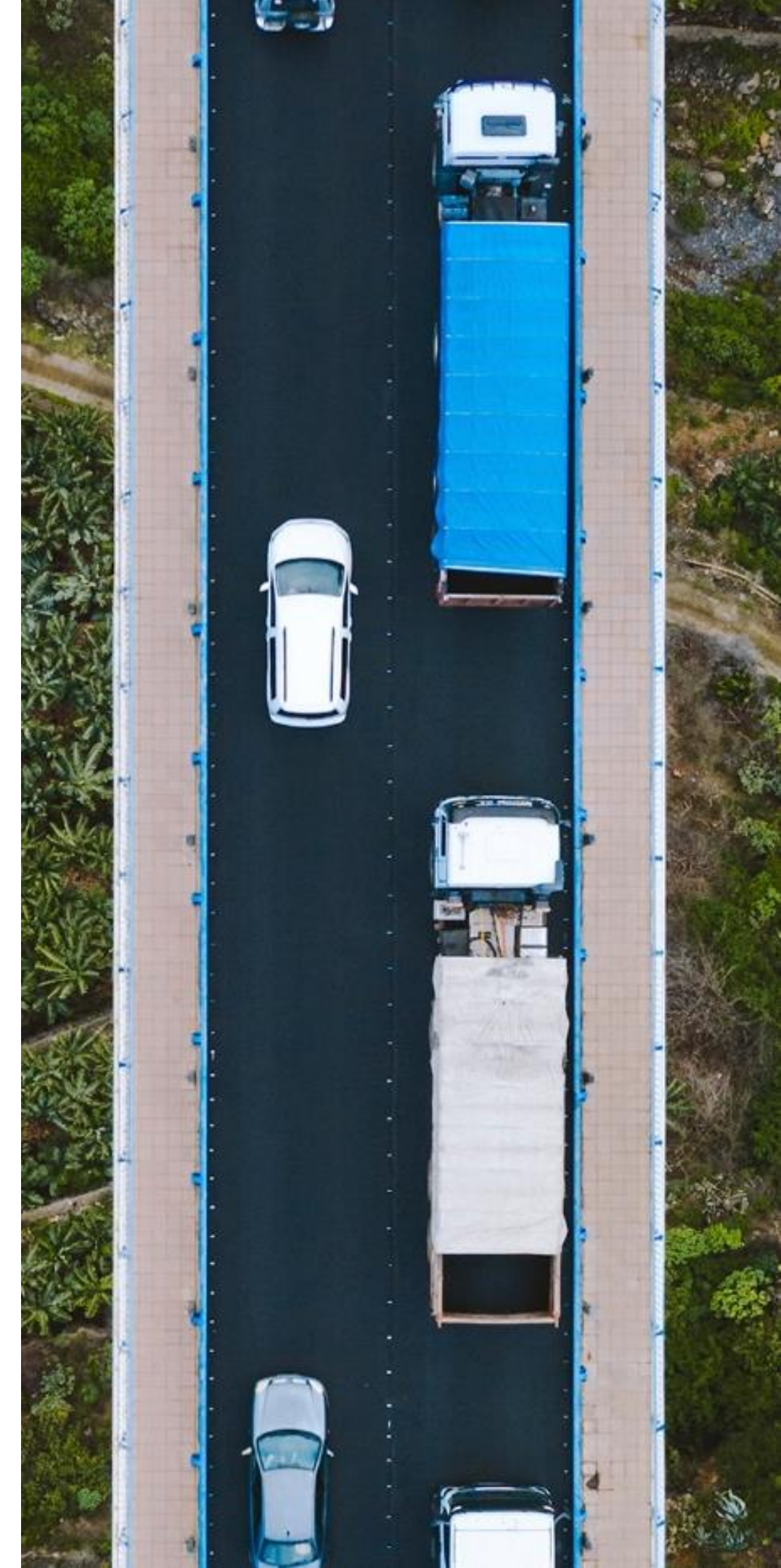
Transportation & Logistics

Mission: To provide a forum to facilitate dialogue across the automotive value chain to identify and develop common approaches, tools, and resources to measure, report and accelerate decarbonization efforts associated with transportation and logistics.

Work Group Leads: Marcia Connors (Penske), Meghan Kennedy (GM)

Objectives:

1. Identify or develop common definitions, tools, and/or guidance to seek to improve consistency within the industry in collecting and reporting carbon emissions associated with road and rail transportation and logistics.
2. Promote development, evaluation and/or sharing of industry best practices, tools, and innovations to support companies in optimizing the carbon footprint of road and rail transportation and logistics activities.



"Participating in the SP Water Stewardship Work Group and pilot program at two operations in Mexico has provided us with valuable insights that we will be implementing into our corporate water strategy going forward," – Tier 1, SVP ESG

Water Stewardship

Developing a sector-wide water stewardship program that helps companies in the automotive value chain to achieve excellence in their water stewardship performance.



Applying Water Stewardship within the Automotive Value Chain

Water Stewardship Strategy Framework

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Guidance to help companies build water stewardship programs

Water Stewardship Action Matrix

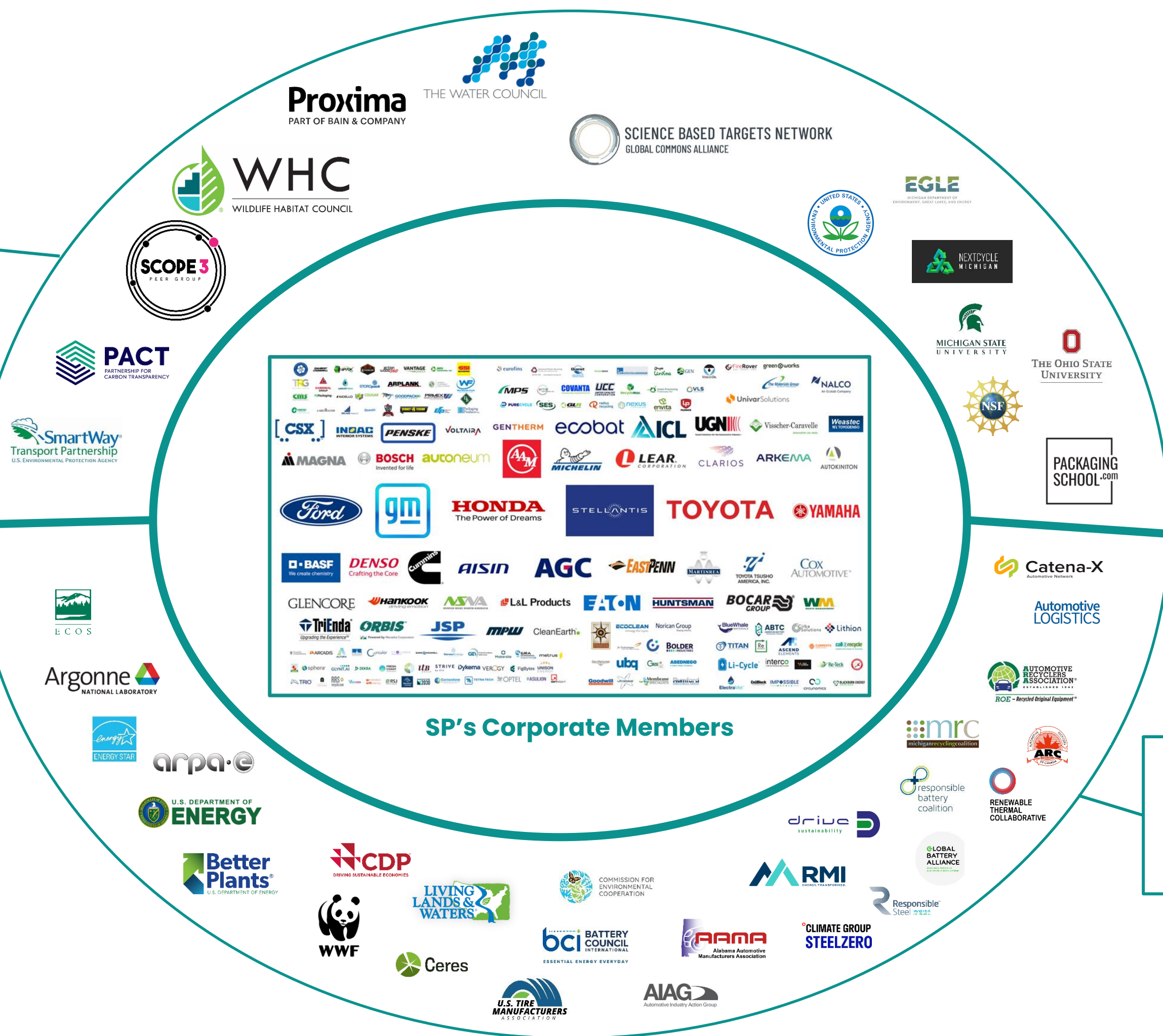
WATER STEWARDSHIP MATURITY

WATER STEWARDSHIP MATURITY	OUTCOMES
St	Water Policy/Commitment
ent	Set Goals or Targets with Water Reduction
pects)	Necessary Data for CDP Reporting
ent	Aligned to Site-Level Best Practice (AWS)

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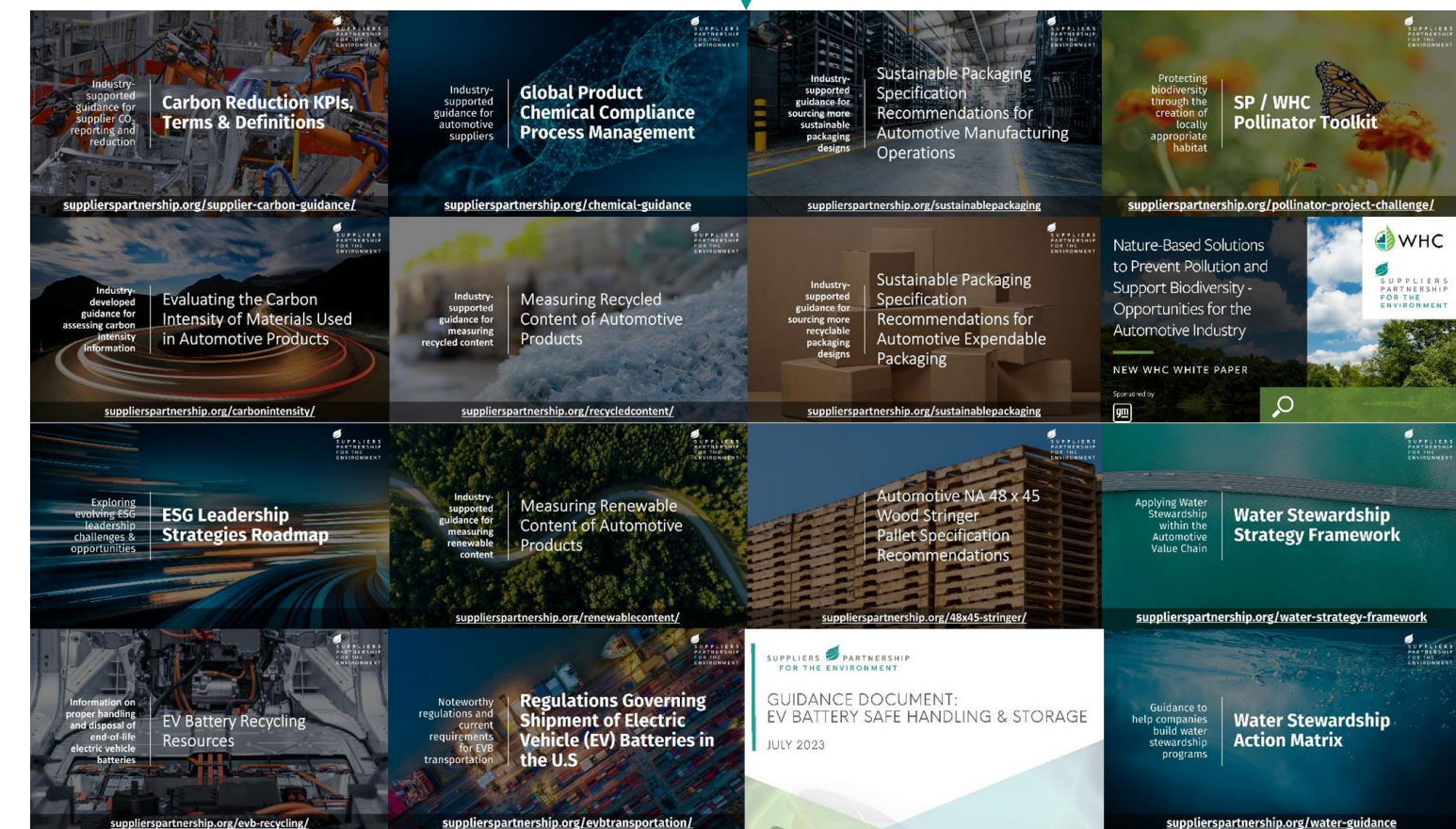
Formal Collaborations
(MOUs, contracts, etc.)



SP maintains connections with an extended network of external organizations to stay informed of global trends and emerging practices related to sustainability within the automotive / mobility sector.

Education Engagement Effect

As environmental expectations and priorities continue to evolve, SP has established a leading platform to facilitate industry dialogue and action on common definitions, tools, and resources for measuring and advancing progress on automotive environmental sustainability ambitions.



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OEM Membership

Annual membership dues for Vehicle Manufacturers (“OEMs”) are based on a company’s US market share in its primary OEM market segment as of the prior full calendar year.

❑ **>10% US Market Share: \$20,000**

❑ **>5% – <10% US Market Share: \$15,000**

❑ **<5% US Market Share: \$12,500**

Primary OEM market segments may include, for example, light-duty passenger vehicle manufacturers, medium- / heavy-duty commercial truck and bus manufacturers, and, agricultural and construction equipment manufacturers.

Where a company operates across multiple OEM market segments, its largest market segment will be considered for the purpose of assessing membership dues.

[Apply Online here.](#)



Supplier Membership

SP membership is open to vehicle manufacturers, and companies that supply goods or services to an OEM or parts supplier ("Suppliers").

Annual membership dues for Suppliers are based on a company's total North American corporate sales in the prior calendar year.

- ❑ **Group I – Sales >\$1 billion dollars: \$10,000**
- ❑ **Group II – Sales >\$250 million <\$1 billion dollar: \$ 5,000**
- ❑ **Group III – Sales >\$100 million <\$250 million dollars: \$ 2,500**
- ❑ **Group IV – Sales >\$10 million <\$100 million dollars: \$ 1,500**
- ❑ **Group V – Sales \$0 to \$10 million dollars: \$ 1,000**

[Apply Online here.](#)



Value of SP

- Be part of the leadership forum where corporate environmental sustainability leaders from across the automotive and mobility industry come together to connect, learn and advance best practice related to industry environmental sustainability goals and priorities.
- Collaborate with industry peers through member-driven work groups on unique projects and activities addressing short-term environmental sustainability and business needs while promoting action in support of long-term industry goals.
- Contribute to development of new industry guidance documents, tools and resources to drive positive change.
- Stay informed of global trends and emerging practices related to sustainability within the automotive / mobility sector.
- Enhance collaborative relationships with thought leaders and innovators within the industry, as well as strategic stakeholders in government and NGO community.



"We're a 'do' group. We don't just sit around and pontificate on the issues. We are actually making progress and creating materials, creating guidance documents, that allow us to work more as a collaborative group as opposed to auto companies on their own and suppliers on their own."

Kevin Butt, Senior Director Environmental Sustainability, Toyota Motor NA in [Automotive News](#)

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