

Less in the Bin - More in the Pocket: Bondor New Zealand Ltd

best practice programme cleaner production

Bondor New Zealand Limited is the largest and only national manufacturer of insulated panels and expanded polystyrene (EPS) in New Zealand. Bondor New Zealand Limited (BNZL) is a market leader in New Zealand for the manufacture of insulated panel for controlled environments with the well respected, time tested BONDOR® insulated panel system and of course the EQUIBOND® range of insulated panels for architectural solutions.

Objective: To reduce polystyrene, general waste & disposal costs from 29 tonne (\$35, 000pa) to 6 tonne (\$800pa)

Costs:

Paper/cardboard recycle bin Manufactured rubbish bins for the factory floor (6) \$20.00 per month

\$800.00

Project Description:

Source a less expensive disposal outlet Reduce manufactured generated waste

How you implemented the project:

- We sourced a polystyrene recycler.
- Placed recycling bins on site for paper, cardboard and steel.
- Set up procedures for staff training to separate all rubbish i.e. polystyrene, paper, wood, steel and other.
- Drove down waste produced by our manufacturing plant by setting quality standards and better operating procedures.
- Implemented our own polystyrene regrind plant.
- We launched new products which could use recycled polystyrene.
- Returned packaging back to our some of our suppliers.

Project Team:

David Hydes - Team Leader Panels Ken Cherry - Team Leader EPS Barbara Spicer - Commercial Administrator.

Results:

- Reduced disposal costs to \$400.00 per month
- Tidy factory
- Better staff morale
- Less labour hours

Key Challenge: Employee buy-in

The Solution: Project reinforced at team toolbox meetings and monthly team briefs.

The Future: Company policy is minimal waste and disposal cost.

Best Practice Hints: Get people involved

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