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The NASSCO Tidepool

A Collection of Environmental News from the Shipyard and Our Community

Environmental Engineering Mission Statement

General Dynamics NASSCO Environmental Engineering is dedicated to maintaining an Environmental Management System that continually strives to go beyond regulatory compliance.

General Dynamics NASSCO Environmental Engineering is committed to conducting all operations in a manner that safeguards the health and safety of all employees and the public, preserves natural resources, and protects the environment. This commitment to protecting the air, water, and land is carried out through energy conservation initiatives, recycling programs, and on-going process improvements.

NASSCO's Solvent Recycling Program Makes Cents



NASSCO's on-site solvent recycling program is an excellent example of how waste minimization can be good for the environment and the bottom line.

On-site solvent recycling starts when NASSCO painters and subcontractors send their used solvent to the still, which is operated by the Blast, Paint and General Services Department. This material is placed into

the still and heated, which drives solvent vapors off of the waste. The clean solvent vapors are captured, re-cooled into a liquid, and collected in a drum. All of the paint chips and dirt that are left behind in the still are then properly disposed of.

The clean reclaimed solvent can be reissued and used again in selected applications. Reclaiming solvent benefits the environment and saves money on waste disposal. Each time recycled solvent is used, money is also saved through purchase avoidance. The savings from each drum of reclaimed solvent can be as much as \$555. If you generate used solvent in your area, here are a few things to remember about the recycling program:

- Only NASSCO issued painting solvent (GT4637H) can be recycled in the still. Other types of solvents, such as acetone, cannot.
- Other types of wastes, such as paints or oils, should never be poured into solvent waste drums or intentionally added to the solvent waste.
- The solvent waste drum should have a green "Excluded Recyclable Material" label.
- When the drum is full, write "SOLVENT STILL" on the Hazardous Waste Transportation Tracking Form.

Questions about solvent recycling can be directed to Sara Giobbi at ext. 8764.



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Negocio Verde Environmental Justice Task Force

The Negocio Verde EJ Task Force provides free compliance assistance and pollution prevention training in San Diego County. It has been chaired by General Dynamics NASSCO since its inception in November 2001 as a subcommittee of the US EPA's Barrio Logan Environmental Justice Demonstration Project.

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