



# Annual Report 2010

## Maine DEP Office of Innovation & Assistance

### We are:

Department of Environmental Protection Office of Innovation & Assistance (OI&A) staff:

- Trained to assist businesses
- Trained in multi-media regulations
- Trained in EMS development
- Trained in Process Mapping, including Lean Manufacturing

### We provide:

- Free on-site environmental compliance assessments
- Free assistance on becoming an Environmental Leader
- Free level one energy audits
- Free technical and pollution prevention assistance
- Referrals to other assistance providers and resources
- Coordination of on-site assistance and other assistance programs
- Referrals for business-to-business mentoring assistance
- Research on pollution prevention technologies
- Free compliance audit under the Small Business Compliance Assistance Policy (SBCIP)

OI&A helped thousands of entities in 2009 including municipalities, businesses, manufacturers, and service industries with energy & environmental issues through multi-media technical assistance.

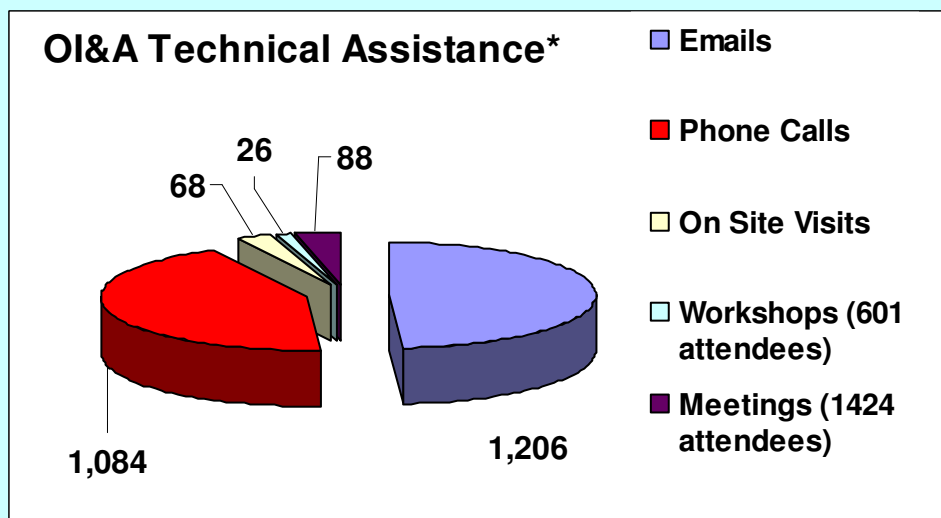
Staff worked with individuals and facilities to achieve better business and environmental results:

- Energy Efficiency & Carbon Reductions
- Smart Production & Sustainability
- Regulatory Requirements including:

- Water & Air Quality Rules
- Hazardous Waste Rules

Call 1-800-789-9802 to receive:

- Free information
- Compliance assistance
- Regulatory guidance
- P2 assistance



\*Web site visits totaled 110,539  
[www.maine.gov/dep/innovation](http://www.maine.gov/dep/innovation)

# Innovation & Assistance Highlights 2010

## Maine Environmental Leader Green Lodging & Green Restaurant Certification Reduced:

- 17,484,282 gallons of water
- 10,171,260 kWhs
- 2,603,100 pounds of solid waste



## Clean Government Initiative Reduced:

- 171 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>
- 4536 pounds of chemical cleaning products
- 10,375 pounds of hazardous waste
- 1830 tons of wood
- 1100 pounds of lead

## Governor's Carbon Challenge



Reduced Maine's  
Carbon Footprint:  
130,000 Metric Tons+

## Small Business Assistance Program

- Maine Small Business Ombudsman planned and coordinated training with U.S. EPA on Surface Coating Rules with anticipated impact to reach thousands of small sources in Maine
- Advised Manufacturers of Maine (MAME)
- Worked with Manufacturing Extension partners to provide Lean training, which included incorporating energy and environmental measurements for the first time in Maine's Lean tool kit

## LD 1423: Modernize Toxic Use Reduction Program

- LD1423 will repeal existing TURA by 2012
- Collaborative stakeholders process representing industry, labor, environmental & public health, and government
- Shift focus to use of priority toxic chemicals: lower threshold
- Listings based on threat to human health, environment, and workers; usage in Maine; and availability of safer alternatives
- DEP rulemaking by July 2011 and every 3 years thereafter
- Up to 10 chemicals on first list
- Technical Assistance to reduce use of priority toxic chemicals by Maine businesses

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