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**NAPA Earns 2024 ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year Award**

*Trade association recognized for second year for leading asphalt pavement industry’s energy efficiency efforts*

GREENBELT, MD—For the second consecutive year, the National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) is honored to receive the 2024 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for demonstrating exemplary commitment and dedication to leadership in energy efficiency and the ENERGY STAR program.

Each year, the ENERGY STAR program honors a select group of businesses and organizations that have made outstanding contributions to energy efficiency and the transition to a clean energy economy. ENERGY STAR award winners lead their industries in the production, sale, and adoption of energy-efficient products, homes, buildings, services, and strategies. These efforts have saved more than 5 trillion kilowatt-hours of electricity over the past 30 years.

“President Biden’s Investing in America agenda creates unprecedented opportunity to build a clean energy economy, and private sector partners through programs like ENERGY STAR are leading the way,” said EPA Administrator Michael S. Regan. “I congratulate this year’s ENERGY STAR award winners for their innovation and leadership, in delivering cost-effective energy efficient solutions that create jobs, address climate change, and contribute to a healthier environment for all.”

In the past year, NAPA raised visibility of the ENERGY STAR program and championed energy efficiency as a key decarbonization strategy at industry events and in trade press, including:

* Welcoming nine member companies as ENERGY STAR [Industrial Partners](https://www.energystar.gov/industrial_plants/industrialfocus/asphalt_pavement_production) and 17 member companies to the [Asphalt Plant Energy Performance Peer Exchange](https://www.asphaltpavement.org/expertise/sustainability/tools/energy-star-apex-program);
* Increasing participation in the [Challenge for Industry](https://www.energystar.gov/industrial_plants/earn_recognition/energy_star_challenge_industry2) by 41 plants to 64 total – 3 of which achieved the challenge in 2023;
* Co-sponsoring an event where industry was trained in conducting plant [treasure hunts](https://www.energystar.gov/industrial_plants/treasure_hunt);
* Supporting development of [Energy Efficiency and Cost Saving Opportunities for Asphalt Mixture Production, An ENERGY STAR Quick Guide for Managing Energy](https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/tools-and-resources/asphalt-pavement-production-plant-energy-guide);
* Facilitating industry review of the ENERGY STAR asphalt plant Energy Performance Indicator (EPI) tool; and
* Launching an industry-wide data collection effort to further inform development of the EPI tool.

“NAPA is proud of our industry’s efforts to manage and reduce energy consumption,” said Joseph Shacat, NAPA’s Director of Sustainable Pavements. “Industry participation in ENERGY STAR initiatives reflects the increasing importance of energy efficiency as companies prepare for low embodied carbon procurement and Buy Clean policies.”

Winners are selected from a network of thousands of ENERGY STAR partners. For a complete list of 2024 winners and more information about ENERGY STAR’s awards program, visit [EnergyStar.gov/AwardWinners](http://www.energystar.gov/awardwinners).

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**About NAPA**

Founded in 1955, the National Asphalt Pavement Association (AsphaltPavement.org) is the only trade association that exclusively represents the interests of the asphalt pavement material producer/contractor on the national level with Congress, government agencies, and other national trade and business organizations. NAPA supports an active research program designed to improve the quality of asphalt pavements and paving techniques used in the construction of roadways, parking lots, airports, and environmental and recreational facilities. NAPA provides technical, educational, and marketing materials and information to its members and supplies product information to users and specifiers of paving materials.

**About ENERGY STAR**

ENERGY STAR® is the government-backed symbol for energy efficiency, providing simple, credible, and unbiased information that consumers and businesses rely on to make well-informed decisions. Since 1992, ENERGY STAR and its partners helped American families and businesses avoid more than $500 billion in energy costs and achieve more than 4 billion metric tons of greenhouse gas reductions. More background information about ENERGY STAR’s impacts can be found at www.energystar.gov/impacts.