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ATLAS FOUNDRY RECEIVES ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AWARD

Indiana Company Saves Energy, Improves Workplace

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. XX, 2007 – Atlas Foundry was recently recognized by Governor Mitch Daniels’ office for their commitment to environmental stewardship and their Environmental Stewardship Award from Energy Management Systems, Inc. (EMS). Concerned about the rising costs of energy and poorly lit work areas for employees, Atlas Foundry, located in Marion, Ind., upgraded older, inefficient lighting throughout the facility to significantly reduce air pollution by 340,000 pounds a year, or the equivalence of 578 cars over the next 20 years.

“We are pleased to receive the Environmental Stewardship Award from EMS and recognition from the Governor’s office,” said president and chief executive officer of Atlas, Jim Gartland. “More importantly, we are pleased with the cost savings and the improved work environment for our employees.”

After completing a lighting audit of the entire facility and adopting appropriate energy efficient lighting practices and techniques, Atlas Foundry immediately began realizing benefits in the initial phase of their energy upgrades. Atlas invested in energy efficient lighting and motion sensor controls to turn lights off when not in use to save money, conserve energy and improve poorly lit work areas throughout the facility.

“The cost of energy is becoming an increasing problem for many manufacturing facilities throughout the US with rate increases of 20 to 50 percent in many areas,” said Dave Riggle, president of EMS. “We are partnering with facilities to not only save money on their energy bills, but to also help them to become environmental stewards by significantly reducing wasted energy.”

“Understanding where energy was being wasted was the first step for Atlas. Their commitment to saving energy and improving the workplace for employees has made a significant impact on Atlas' business and the environment,” added Riggle.

Founded in 1893, Atlas Foundry is a full service Gray Iron foundry in Indiana that provides part evaluation and design assistance, prototypes, tooling development, pattern maintenance, raw castings, casting finishing and required secondary services including machining, coating, and heat treating for the agriculture, construction, transportation and manufacturing industries. For more information go to www.atlasfdry.com.

Established in 1986, Energy Management Systems is an Indiana company helping companies throughout the country to reduce energy consumption and cut energy costs. EMS offers energy usage assessments and provides solutions to reduce wasted energy and unnecessary costs. For more information go to www.energymanagement.com or call 317-341-5968

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