EPA Recognizes 41 ABA Member Baking Facilities as 2018 ENERGY STAR® Certified Manufacturing Plants

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“We are very proud of the response from the baking industry with the ENERGY STAR challenge. It shows the baking industry’s commitment to their communities, sustainability goals that also helps their bottom line.”

Robb MacKie, President & CEO of the American Bakers Association

WASHINGTON — American Bakers Association member facilities represent 41 of the 100 manufacturing plants recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) ENERGY STAR certification for their superior energy performance in 2018. Only plants in the top 25 percent of energy performance nationwide can earn the ENERGY STAR.

“Our members’ customers – both retail and the end consumer – have expectations regarding the environmental stewardship of companies receiving their support,” said Rasma Zvaners, Vice President of Regulatory and Technical Services. “The ENERGY STAR program is an important component to show our industry cares deeply about sustainability initiatives.”

The 41 ABA-Member baking facilities, along with the 59 other plants representing 19 different types of manufacturing, reduced their energy bills by more than $400 million, saved more than 70 trillion British thermal units (TBtu) of energy, and achieved broad emissions reductions, including 4.5 million metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions. The energy savings are enough to meet the annual energy needs of nearly 440,000 American households.

ENERGY STAR Certified Baking Plants

A total of 32 Commercial Bread/Rolls facilities were awarded the ENERGY STAR in 2018, up from 24 in the previous year.

Ten bakeries for Cookies and Crackers were awarded the ENERGY STAR in 2018, up from 7 in 2017.

“We applaud these companies who are taking the lead in cutting energy costs and reducing waste,” said EPA Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation Bill Wehrum. “These leaders are proving that energy efficiency is good for business and for the environment – by fostering innovation, increasing competitiveness, and reducing air pollution.”

ENERGY STAR Challenge for Industry

180 baselines registered for the ENERGY STAR Challenge with 23 Commercial Bread Rolls Bakeries achieving the challenge reduction goal, voluntarily reducing their energy intensity by 10% in 5 years or less.

Source: American Bakers Association
ABA Member Manufacturing plants earning ENERGY STAR certification for the first time in 2018:

Bimbo Bakeries USA: Roseville, Minnesota (commercial bread and roll baking)

Flowers Baking Company: Batesville, Arkansas (commercial bread and roll baking)

Flowers Baking Company: Tuscaloosa, Alabama (commercial bread and roll baking)

Kellog Company: Kansas City, Kansas (cookie & cracker baking)

Klosterman Baking Company: Springboro, Ohio (commercial bread and roll baking)

Northeast Foods: Schmidt Baking Baltimore, Maryland (commercial bread and roll baking)

Weston Foods Canada: Front Royal, Virginia (cookie & cracker baking)

Weston Foods Canada: Gaffney, South Carolina (commercial bread and roll baking)

Weston Foods Canada: Green Bay, Wisconsin (cookie & cracker baking)

Weston Foods Canada: North Sioux City, South Dakota (cookie & cracker baking)

All ENERGY STAR certified ABA Member manufacturing plants in 2018 listed by state include:

Alabama:
Flowers Baking Company, Tuscaloosa (commercial bread and roll baking)*

Arizona:
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Phoenix (commercial bread and roll baking)

Flowers Baking Company, Tolleson (commercial bread and roll baking)

Arkansas:
Flowers Baking Company, Batesville (commercial bread and roll baking)*

California:
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Sacramento (commercial bread and roll baking)

Bimbo Bakeries USA, San Diego (commercial bread and roll baking)

Bimbo Bakeries USA, San Luis Obispo (commercial bread and roll baking)

Illinois:
TreeHouse Foods, South Beloit (cookie & cracker baking)

Indiana:
Klosterman Baking Company, Morristown (commercial bread and roll baking)

Iowa:
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Dubuque (commercial bread and roll baking)

Kansas:
Kellogg Company, Kansas City (cookie & cracker baking)*

Kentucky:
TreeHouse Foods, Princeton (cookie & cracker baking)

Louisiana:
Flowers Baking Company, Baton Rouge (commercial bread and roll baking)

Flowers Baking Company, New Orleans (commercial bread and roll baking)

Maryland:
Northeast Foods, Auto Rolls Baltimore (commercial bread and roll baking)

Northeast Foods, Schmidt Baking Baltimore (commercial bread and roll baking)*

Minnesota:
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Fergus Falls (commercial bread and roll baking)
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Roseville (commercial bread and roll baking)*

New York:
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Olean (commercial bread and roll baking)
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Auburn (commercial bread and roll baking)
TreeHouse Foods, Tonawanda (cookie & cracker baking)

North Carolina:
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Gastonia (commercial bread and roll baking)
Kellogg Company, Cary (cookie & cracker baking)

Ohio:
Kellogg Company, Cincinnati (cookie & cracker baking)
Klosterman Baking Company, Cincinnati (commercial bread and roll baking)
Klosterman Baking Company, Springboro (commercial bread and roll baking)*

Oklahoma:
Bama Pie, Tulsa (commercial bread and roll baking)
Bama Frozen Dough, Tulsa (commercial bread and roll baking)

Oregon:
Dave’s Killer Bread (Flowers Baking Company) (commercial bread and roll baking)

Pennsylvania:
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Reading (commercial bread and roll baking)

South Carolina:
Weston Foods Canada, Gaffney (commercial bread and roll baking)*

South Dakota:
Weston Foods Canada, North Sioux City (cookie & cracker baking)*

Texas:
Flowers Baking Company, Tyler (commercial bread and roll baking)

Utah:
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Salt Lake City (commercial bread and roll baking)
TreeHouse Foods, Odgen (cookie & cracker baking)

Virginia:
Flowers Baking Company, Lynchburg (commercial bread and roll baking)
Flowers Baking Company, Norfolk (commercial bread and roll baking)
Weston Foods Canada, Front Royal (cookie & cracker baking)*

Wisconsin:
Bimbo Bakeries USA, La Crosse (commercial bread and roll baking)
Bimbo Bakeries USA, Milwaukee (commercial bread and roll baking)
Weston Foods Canada, Green Bay (cookie & cracker baking)*

*Represents first-time certification

About the ENERGY STAR Industrial Program

Since 2006, the ENERGY STAR Industrial Program has annually certified manufacturing plants for performing within the top 25 percent of energy performance in their industries nationwide. More than 200 plants have achieved this distinction since 2006. For more information, see: www.energystar.gov/plants. For a list of all certified plants, see: www.energystar.gov/buildinglist To learn more about how ENERGY STAR and industry work together, see: www.energystar.gov/industry

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