

## **CASE STUDY**

## **Staples Warehouse**

Levittown, Pennsylvania

In 2007, Staples contracted with GreenTech Energy Services to design and implement an energy savings system in its Levittown, PA warehouse, a 60,000-square-foot facility that operates 24 hours a day, 5 days a week. The goals of the project were to increase the uniformity and quality of lighting throughout the warehouse, reduce energy usage, and maintain system reliability.

GreenTech replaced outdated 400-watt metal halide technologies with state-of-the-art T5 fluorescent lamps, which provide energy efficiency, long lamp life, easy switching, high lumen maintenance and even light distribution. GreenTech also installed sensors in half of the office fixtures to turn individual lights off when the rooms are unoccupied.

Results of the project include higher light levels, improved light quality, lower energy costs, and lower life-cycle costs. Employees report that spaces appear brighter and more evenly lit, with less glare and flickering. Restrike time in the aisles has been reduced, and the occupancy sensors have cut energy usage. The program is expected to pay for itself in well under two years.

THE SAVINGS	
Total Program Costs	\$25,391
Total Payback Period	1.2 years
KW Saved	16
KWH Saved	133,063
Energy Savings	\$15,968
Operational Savings	\$ 762
Total Savings	\$16,730

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT		
Reduction in Carbon Dioxide (pounds)	199,594	
Reduction in Sulfur Dioxide (grams)	745,151	
Reduction in Nitrogen Oxide (grams)	332,657	



"The new lighting has definitely improved the overall work environment. Previously there were dark areas throughout the facility that were not conducive to our operations; now the lighting is bright and uniform. From the day the installation was complete, our employees loved it."

**Charles D'Amore, Courier Support Manager** 

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