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The Kalamazoo, Michigan Site Goes Green

Pfizer Kalamazoo continually looks for novel ways to manage solvent wastes. In 2009, the Kalamazoo site arranged for re-use of over 320,000 gallons of solvent in lieu of incineration. The solvents are used in a variety of industries.

We have also looked for novel ways of using the waste that we generate. A plastic container generated from one manufacturing process is now being used as a waste receptacle in two of our lab areas. These lab areas had been purchasing cardboard boxes for their waste. The cost avoidance for making the switch from a purchased box to a site-provided box that would have been waste is approximately \$10,000 per year. Warehouse colleagues ship usable pallets back to vendors for reuse, in lieu of purchasing new pallets for receipt of goods. Fiber drums generated in the micronizing area are now being used to package waste, in lieu of purchasing cardboard boxes. Other colleagues started saving cardboard boxes from raw components and started using the boxes for waste disposal.

The Kalamazoo site has gone green, and going green has meant more green in the site's operating budget at the end of the year.