







# HAWAII GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM Annual Recognition



# HYATT REGENCY KAUA'I RESORT & SPA KAUA'I, HAWAI'I





# Hyatt Regency Kaua'i Resort & Spa

## Resort Overview

The Hyatt Regency Kaua'i Resort & Spa is a luxurious 602-room resort, recognized by the most respected travel publications as one of the top tropical resorts in the world. Located on 50 immaculately-landscaped oceanfront acres, the resort is elegant, yet casual, capturing the classic and timeless essence of the islands. Its architecture is reminiscent of Hawaii in the 1920s and 30s, creating a romantic "sense of place" that is emotional as well as physical. The resort is built into a hillside overlooking beautiful Keoneloa Bay, blending into the lush mantle of rolling green mountains, sloping gently down to meandering lagoons, a white sand beach and the sea.

# **Environmental Committee**

The Hyatt Regency Kaua`i's "Ōpala `Ohana" is comprised of managers and associates committed to protecting and preserving the environment. Meetings are held on a monthly basis to update committee members on the progress of various recycling projects both at the resort and throughout our community. This information is then taken back to their respective departments and shared with the entire staff.

# **Employee Involvement**

We encourage employees to become involved with the "Ōpala 'Ohana" and to share in the responsibility of our common goal to minimize refuse brought to our landfill.

Education and environmental awareness is the key to our recycling efforts.

#### THE BASICS OF RECYCLING

Our every-day recycling habits have proven to be a great benefit. Since we began our recycling campaign in 1999, our landfill input has decreased by more than 8.77%. The following are items collected for recycling on a daily basis:

- Cardboard
- Newspaper / Office White paper
- Aluminum
- Glass
- Waste Cooking Oils
- Food Waste
- Green Waste
- Light Bulbs / Batteries

# "WIPE IT UP" PROGRAM

Spill stations are set up throughout the resort in which we utilize discard towels and pillowcases as part of our "Wipe it Up" program.

## Technological and Operational Conservation Efforts

#### THE GREEN EARTH™ DRY CLEANING MACHINE (K16/K25)

Developed by Green Earth Cleaning in Kansas City, the Hyatt Regency Kauai Resort & Spa was the first Hyatt property to purchase a dry cleaning machine that uses clear liquid, odorless, non-toxic silicon-based solvent. Unlike old dry cleaning systems that soak clothing in a toxic solvent called perchloroethylene, the Green Earth process uses a silicone-based solvent called SB32 which is being recognized as the most revolutionary process for the dry cleaning industry in 50 years. Safety issues also play an important role, as there are no hazardous materials required to operate this machine.

# HEAT-TO ENERGY CONVERSION / CHILL-WATER COOLING SYSTEM

In 1990, the Hyatt Regency Kaua'i was the first resort in Hawaii to include in its engineering design, the award winning "Heat-To-Energy Conversion" program. This energy recycling system uses the air conditioning system to heat the water for our guest rooms, laundry and swimming pools.

The resort has decreased environmental pollution through the installation of its "Heat-To-Energy Conversion" equipment to recycle heated air within the production processes. The resort has reduced 4,380,000,000 BTU of chiller reject heat waste discharge into the air by recycling it back through the system to heat swimming pools, the saltwater swimming lagoon, and to preheat all domestic hot water for the property.

The Hyatt Regency Kaua'i has conserved the equivalent of 205,000 kilowatt hours of electricity or 45,000 therms of gas annually through the "Heat-To-Energy Conversion" program.