



Anheuser-Busch

Columbus Brewery Environmental Overview

The Columbus brewery brews more than 10 million barrels of beer per year.

Helping the Environment In 2006, the Columbus brewery recycled 99.6 percent of the solid waste it generated. Materials include brewers' grain, plastic strapping, stretch wrap, aluminum, glass, cardboard, plastics, office paper and metals.

Grain from the brewing process is collected and sold to area ranchers, providing feed for cattle.

BERS Operation The Columbus brewery utilizes Bio-Energy Recovery Systems (BERS) technology that converts nutrients in leftover water from the brewing process into a renewable biogas. Anheuser-Busch is the world's largest operator of BERS.

BERS provides up to 15 percent of the Columbus brewery's fuel needs.

Recent Awards

- 2007 Central Ohio Emerald Award for Recycling – Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio
- 2005 Backyard Wildlife Habitat – National Wildlife Federation
- 2005 White Glove Award for Pollution Prevention – Keep Franklin County Beautiful
- 2004 Governor's Award for Excellence in Energy Efficiency for BERS Operation

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