Micron is receiving the award for the third time since its inception in 1997. The selection of Micron was based on a multi-pronged approach to reducing their environmental footprint.

Savings include a 33% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions, reducing 15,500 metric tonnes or over 34 million pounds by investing over $1 million in technology and utilization of best known methods.

They eliminated 25,000 lbs. from their wastewater and have invested heavily in additional treatment processes. Micron now discharges no storm water from their site, collecting and recycling 5 million gallons annually using the water onsite.

Additionally, Micron now recycles 95% of all solvent waste from their facility, saving nearly 1 million pounds of solvent from the waste stream.

They reduced over a half million pounds of desirable trash and held a contest in which employees constructed a wide variety of useable items, including furnishings and storage sheds.

They reduced 15 million kilowatt hours of energy, which is enough to power 1,400 homes annually.

Finally, in leading the charge for sustainability, they installed a monitoring well to assist the Idaho Department of Water Resources in monitoring the Treasure Valley aquifer.