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BLUEMACHINES — equal — **GREEN**SOLUTIONS

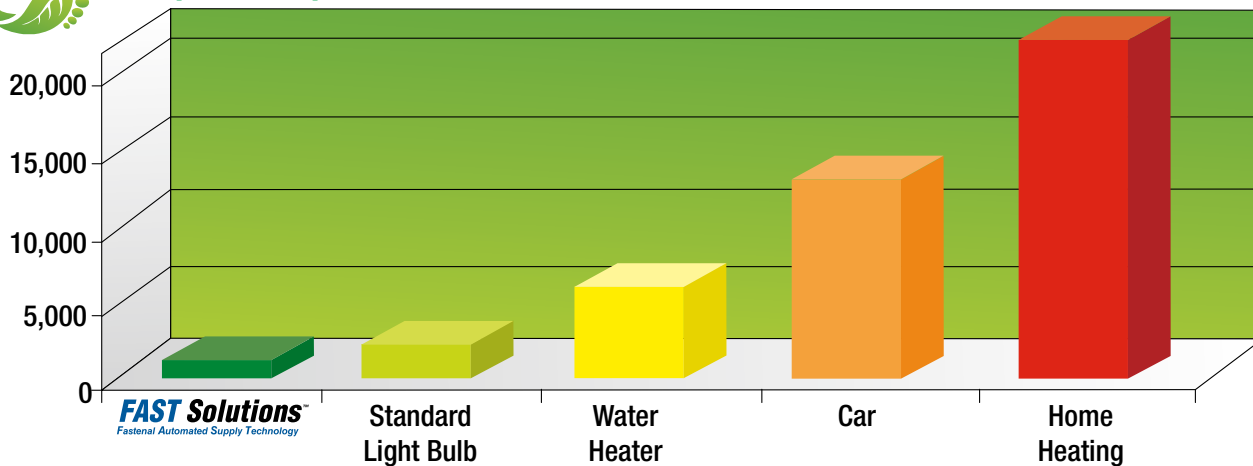


INDUSTRIAL VENDING HELPS THE PLANET – ONE DISPENSE AT A TIME

Those blue vending machines popping up in manufacturing and distribution facilities across North America are more than meet the eye – they're also green. Behind that blue exterior are countless ways that Fastenal's FAST 5000 solution is eliminating waste and redundancy while reducing the use of raw materials, energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. It's a lean, green solution from beginning to end.



ANNUAL CARBON FOOTPRINT (IN POUNDS)



FAST 5000 GREEN CHECKLIST

- ✓ **Automates reordering** – eliminates paper, ink, toner and processing
- ✓ **Eliminates stockouts** – no extra trips, saves fuel, lowers emissions
- ✓ **Reduces consumption** – inventory is tracked and controlled, promoting mindful (or conscientious) usage
- ✓ **Increases productivity** – less time spent getting items from tool crib, less machine idle time
- ✓ **Low energy consumption** – uses less energy than a standard light bulb, requires only a 110V outlet
- ✓ **Supports compliance** – can be stocked with environmentally preferred products available through Fastenal



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A BLUE “GREEN” SOLUTION – COMPANIES GOING GREEN WITH FASTENAL’S VENDING PROGRAM.

XCEL ENERGY

Several of Xcel’s power generation plants are using FAST 5000 machines to automate ordering and eliminate paperwork. These facilities are also using significantly fewer consumables.

WYETH PHARMACEUTICALS

Because of the long process involved with getting a part during off-shifts, workers would hoard items near their stations, driving up Wyeth’s inventory costs. With all those parts sitting out in the open, contractors would sometimes simply grab them. The FAST 5000 has put an end to these sources of waste by making product immediately available, but only for authorized users.

IDAHO STEEL

Cutting tools, PPE and MRO items are vended through the FAST 5000, making workers “more accountable for consumables. We can make sure they’re using everything properly and getting all the life out of each item.” As a result, Idaho Steel is using less and spending less.

WATERLOO INDUSTRIES

In the first month, glove consumption was reduced from more than \$13,000 to \$9,200. They also saved on paper with automated reporting.

LAKESHORE TECHNOLOGIES

“We’ve cut inventory by 75 percent [about \$20K per month] and we’ve seen a huge drop in consumption, because people are accountable for what they’re using.”

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Through our partnership with the nonprofit RBRC, Fastenal can work with you to recycle “spent” rechargeable batteries.



Lamps, batteries, ballasts, electronics and computer equipment usually contain mercury, lead and other heavy metals considered toxic and hazardous to human health and the environment.

To ensure complete compliance when disposing of these materials, we offer prepaid recycling through RecyclePak[®]



SACRAMENTO REDUCES CITY’S CONSUMPTION OF BATTERIES, FUEL, AND MUCH MORE

Prior to installing FAST 5000 machines in several City of Sacramento service departments, “We simply had cases of batteries in closets, and they may disappear a case at a time to who knows where,” said Sacramento Operations Manager Tom Webber. “Now there’s none of that. Batteries are stocked in the machines, we don’t run out, and we only pay for what we use through Fastenal.”

“We’ve had bins and closets with stuff not used in two years,” added Webber. “That ties up public funds and isn’t good use of taxpayers’ money. ... We had too much inventory on some items but were running out of others. Plus, if we need something that we’re out of, we’re not running a guy to Home Depot or wherever to get it. So, in addition to saving on our cost of materials, the system saves on overhead – from more production time and less downtime to things like the health and safety of a person driving to get an item.”



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