



WWF'S EARTH HOUR LIST

BACKGROUND **Monday, March 21, 2011**

#6 (tie) - Hamilton, Ontario

Score: 5.5/10

Hamilton ties with Edmonton for the sixth spot on The Earth Hour List. WWF congratulates Hamilton on its leadership on climate change and looks forward to many improvements the city can continue to make.

Highlights of Hamilton's activities

- Hamilton has set an interim target of a 10% reduction of 2006 greenhouse gas levels by 2012, followed by a 20% reduction of 2006 greenhouse gas levels by 2020.
- Hamilton has developed, funded and is implementing a City-wide green retrofit program for more than 65 buildings. The city recently completed the retrofit of City Hall reducing energy use by 35%.
- Hamilton provides incentives for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standard buildings for business, including renewable energy production as well as a broad range of conservation, efficiency and environmental protection measures.
- In 2009, the City of Hamilton and Hamilton Renewable Power Inc. launched a renewable energy initiative at the Glanbrook Landfill site. The project involves the collection of landfill gas to generate electricity and sell to the Ontario grid. The reduction of greenhouse gases is equivalent to removing 18,000 cars off the road or planting 9,200 hectares of trees.
- Hamilton also promotes several Green Incentive Programs, including a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Grant Program, the Brownfield program and the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement Program.

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