

Going Green!



COSTA IS GREENING OUR GOODS & SERVICES

In an effort to become a more environmentally conscious company, Costa Fruit & Produce has developed an internal program called "Greening Our Goods and Services". The program has been in place for many years and continues to evolve as our company grows.

As a specialist and leader in the produce industry, Costa has supported local farmers and the utilization of sustainable and organic farming methods for more than fifty years. In fact, to help growers run their farms more efficiently,

Costa instituted a seven day net payment program for all produce and agricultural products grown or produced in New England by independent farmers and producers.

With that said, please review the many environmentally friendly business practices that are now a part of our day to day operations and our "Greening Our Goods and Services" program.

COSTA'S ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY BUSINESS PRACTICES INCLUDE...

Energy Conservation:

- New highly efficient warehouse lighting for safety and energy conservation.
- 14,000 square ft newly insulated loading dock.
- All fruit and vegetable waste is shipped to local farms for composting and feed.
- Collaborated with NRM (National Resource Management Co.) and NSTAR to develop a conservation strategy.
- HR Program to conserve energy within the (office) workplace.

Waste Reduction:

- All corrugated boxes are bailed and recycled weekly through JRM recycling.
- Tote program- "Enviro-totes" Recycling program for reduction of corrugated waste.

Costa's Fleet Upgrade:

- Stealth Technology: Lower decibels and lower noise pollution.
- Automatic Start/Stop Technology: Minimizes total engine hours with less fuel consumed and less evacuating exhaust.
- R-404 Refrigerant: Meets clean air "Zero Ozone Depletion".
- In Cab Control Technology: Drivers have the ability to adjust temperature settings from inside the cab.

