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Parker Hannifin's Hydraulic Valve Division Wins Award from Carolina Recycling Association

Almost 9,000 Pounds of Potential Absorbent Waste Diverted for Reuse or Recycling

RALEIGH, NC – The Carolina Recycling Association honored Parker Hannifin's hydraulic valve division, located in Forest City, NC with a 2020 Annual Recycling Award!

Each year, the Carolina Recycling Association honors top performers that advance waste reduction and recycling in the Carolinas. The awards are open to individuals, companies, governments, schools, organizations, non-profits, and councils – projects and programs large and small. Nominations are reviewed and winners are selected by a committee of industry peers and scored in a variety of categories including amount of waste reduced, recycled or diverted, level of difficulty, and contribution to the industry as a whole.

Parker Hannifin's hydraulic valve division, located in Forest City, NC, partnered with Closed Loop Recycling (CLR) to implement an absorbent recycling program in 2017. Absorbent recycling is a sustainable and cost-efficient alternative to traditional waste disposal like landfilling or incineration. Through this unique program, CLR extracts fluids like oil from absorbents for recycling, launders the absorbents for reuse, and cleans out collection drums for reuse. This program, which diverts about 4 tons of waste from NC landfills every year, is part of Parker Hannifin's multifaceted sustainability strategy that focuses on innovation, waste prevention, and environmental responsibility.

Parker Hannifin practices a continuous improvement sustainability strategy focusing on environmental responsibility in manufacturing. As part of this strategy, CLR tracks the amount of absorbent waste that is reused. As of December 2019, Parker Hannifin reused 7,830 pounds of absorbents and 69.6 gallons of non-hazardous fluids, for a total of almost 9,000 pounds of potential absorbent waste diverted for reuse or recycling!

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