



# ENVIRONMENTAL GOOD PRACTICE GUIDELINES

## TOPIC – CONSERVING NATURAL RESOURCES

### Summary Information:

All business activities consume natural resources (anything from gas and oil to raw materials). Good environmental practice requires that the use of non renewable resources such as fossil fuel be reduced and that alternatives be sought.

Resource use minimisation is achievable by identifying all forms of waste and improving the process controls used to ensure that only essential resources are consumed.

Support is available from the web site of [www.sustainableqld.com](http://www.sustainableqld.com) to reduce energy consumption

### Good Practice Risk Control:

- Investigate ways to reduce fossil fuel consumption by:
  - Improving insulation
  - Converting from oil to gas or electric heating
  - Improving distribution logistics to reduce vehicle fuel consumption
  - Redesigning products to achieve weight reduction and reduced material use
- Contact [www.sustainableqld.com](http://www.sustainableqld.com) for assistance in completing an Energy Audit.
- Investigate using recycled materials in processes.