UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EASTERN SHORE CARBON FOOTPRINT & INVENTORY OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMMISIONS

Briefing of Environmental Mitigation Activities - May 1, 2009

- I. Background Overview of Carbon Footprint Initiative
 - Steering Committee of 25 members
 - 3 Co-Chairs
 - 9 Subcommittees
 - Collaboration with Honeywell Corporation
 - Completed Carbon Footprint for FY 08
 - Established baseline for future GHG emission reduction strategies

II. Buildings

• 47 Buildings; 700 acres; approx. 2 million square feet (309,343 sq. ft. of Research Bldg. space)

III. Greenhouse Gas Mitigation

- 6,199 total campus population (students, faculty, staff)
- Electrical consumption, fuel purchases, transportation

IV. Recycling/Waste Management

- Recycling program revamped and enhanced
- 32% Recycling Rate (2008)

V. Energy Reduction

- Energy consumption reduced by 33% from 2005 to June 2008
- Contracted firm to conduct energy facilities audit; developed and implemented plan of action; corrected deficiencies

VI. Water Conservation

- Implemented Drip Emitter System to water grass and flowerbeds
- Gator Bay System
- Cut grass higher to conserve water
- More time response to and repair of faulty faucets, hydrants, and systems using water

VII. Storm Water Management

- Sediment Ponds
- Planted more trees
- Maintenance on storm drainage systems

VIII. Related Educational/Outreach Efforts

- Students participated in designing energy conservation materials for campus-wide distribution
- Building managers trained on conservation methods applicable to their respective buildings

IX. Renewable/Recyclable Energy

- Solar panel installation (2 megawatts) planned for Summer 2009
- Geothermal System installed in residence halls
- Biodiesel Study proposed to recycle dining hall oils to be used as fuel for farm equipment

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