

# Green Hospitality & Tourism Certification Workshop



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# Program Elements

- Voluntary Recognition Program
- Self-audit using Check List
- 100 Points = automatic Certification for 2 years
- After 2 years, 130 points for recertification
- < 100 Points, eligible for Provisional Certification if commitment to reach 100 points in agreed time frame
- First group of Certifications in April 2008
- DEM Audits beginning in January 2009 ,1-2 per month
- DEM Technical Assistance available throughout program

# Check List

- Available on DEM website:

<http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/benviron/assist/grncert/pdf/hotlwork.doc>

- Can submit to DEM electronically or by mail

# Benefits

- Save \$\$\$ - Energy, Water, Waste Disposal
- Marketing – DEM and Association recognition, plaque, use of logo
  - Listed on DEM website
- DEM Technical Assistance

# Year 1 Results

- 20 Hotels Avg Score = 137  
Energy = 42; Kitchen = 25; Waste = 20; Water = 14
- 15 Restaurants Avg Score = 139  
Kitchen = 39; Energy = 38; Waste = 8; Water = 11
- 3 Other Hospitality Businesses Avg Score = 201

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