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AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, GEORGIA CHAPTER ANNOUNCES PULL-A-PART AS A 2004 ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD WINNER

Winners of the *Air & Waste Management Association Georgia Chapter Environmental Awards* for 2004 were announced at the Chapter's annual conference, held October 12 at the Georgia International Convention Center in Atlanta. These awards are presented each year to industrial, commercial and governmental organizations who successfully go beyond regulatory compliance to achieve demonstrable environmental improvements.

The winner this year in the *Solid Waste Management* category is Pull-A-Part. Nominated by Steve Levetan, Environmental and Public Affairs Consultant, Pull-A-Part is a do-it-yourself used auto parts business founded in 1997, with Georgia locations in Conley and Norcross. It is the first time that this award has been presented to a company whose main business is in the recycling industry.

In addition to providing used auto parts to the public, Pull-A-Part established systems and procedures to remove and recycle, resell or otherwise properly manage hazardous materials such as fuels, lubricants, fluids, CFCs, batteries, etc. from the vehicles prior to shredding to reclaim scrap metal. The two Georgia facilities have combined to recycle the following quantities of materials over the past year:

- 106,800 gallons of petrochemicals
- 352,170 pounds of lead-acid batteries
- 2,590 gallons of ethylene glycol antifreeze
- 3,266,900 pounds of overall landfill diversion

In his acceptance remarks, Pull-A-Part President Mark Cohen said "at Pull-A-Part we do things because they make long term sense. This recognition just strengthens our resolve to treat our environment "right".

Initiated in 1998 and sponsored by Marietta based consulting engineers Rindt-McDuff Associates, past winners of these awards include Lockheed Martin, Delta Air Lines, Duracell, and the Georgia Department of Corrections. Other winners this year were the Cauley Creek Water Reclamation Facility, the Gwinnett County Department of Public Utilities, Georgia-Pacific, and Pfizer Global Manufacturing.

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The Mission of the Georgia Chapter of AWMA is to promote a cleaner, safer environment in Georgia by focusing on air and waste issues. We achieve our mission through information transfer, technology exchange, education and environmental leadership.