



# Elemental Impact

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## GETTING TO ZERO:

HOW COMPANIES PROFIT FROM ELIMINATING WASTE

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#### Sustainability in ACTION

Work with industry leaders to create best operating practices where the entire value-chain benefits, including corporate bottom lines and the environment. Through education and collaboration, establish the best practices as standard practices.





### A CATALYST

#### **Ei: Creates Corporate | Community Initiatives**

- What could be done
- That is not being done
- © Ei gets it done

Bring the Possible out of Impossible





## Focus Areas

#### **Initiative Foundations:**

- Product Stewardship
- Toxin-Free Environments
- Zero Waste Initiatives





## ZERO WASTE



#### **ZERO WASTE INITIATIVES**

- Recycling Integrity
- Sustainable Food Court Initiative
- Zero Waste Zones





#### RECYCLING INTEGRITY

# Maintaining maximum Material Value With Minimal Energy Expended

**Contamination**: an expensive trip to the landfill







#### ZERO WASTE ZONES

#### Groundbreaking Atlanta Program

- © Chair: Laura Turner Seydel
- Response to Atlanta losing a convention
- Launched @ acclaimed February, 2009 press conference
- Leaders in commercial food waste collection for composting







## ZERO WASTE ZONES

#### Media LOVED ZWZ

- © CNN.com home page story; run internationally prime time
- NY Times front-page article
- Fortune.com profile







#### ZERO WASTE ZONES

#### Acquired by the

#### **National Restaurant Association**

September, 2012









#### SFCI



#### Sustainable Food Court Initiative

An Integrated Approach to Sustainability









**IMPACT** 

## **SFCI**



#### **Active Pilots:**

- Airport Atlanta Airport
- Shopping Mall Concord Mills (Charlotte)
- Event Venue Georgia Dome (Atlanta)
- Office Complex
- Government Center
- College | University





## **Q**UOTES

# Heritage Interactive Services

Our profitable business model is based on the ability to generate cost-savings by seeking alternatives to traditional landfill disposal.

Amy Moreland
Director of International Business & Supplier
Development
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# **Q**UOTES

#### Affairs to Remember

"This mega-movement called 'sustainability' is good for business. Embrace it, and profit. Avoid it at your peril."

Patrick Cuccaro, general manager





# **Q**UOTES

#### Piazza Produce

"Piazza Produce's Zero Waste Journey saved the company over \$650,000 in waste-to-landfill expenses over the past seven years."

Scott Lutocka, facilities manager





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