



WWF'S EARTH HOUR LIST

BACKGROUND Monday, March 21, 2011

#10 - Yellowknife, North West Territories

Score: 5/10

Yellowknife rounds out The Earth Hour List in tenth place. WWF congratulates Yellowknife on its leadership on climate change and looks forward to many improvements the city can continue to make.

Highlights of Yellowknife's activities

- Yellowknife's Community Energy Plan, which was adopted in 2006, established a community emission reduction target of 6% by 2014 over 2004 levels.
- The city has taken aggressive measures to achieve its emission reduction targets by spending \$2.7 million since 2008 on energy efficiency and renewable energy systems in its operations.
- Yellowknife has introduced energy efficiency standards into the local building by-law for new residential and commercial construction, as well as energy retrofit standards in 2011.
- The Development Incentive Program provides for multi-year tax relief for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) building development.
- Yellowknife is working on a district energy system that would draw heat from a closed mine to heat 255,000 sq metres of commercial, residential and institutional space within the community.

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