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Case Study: *The EPA Practices What it Preaches by Reducing Paper Waste with FinePrint 5.0*

- The Customer** The mission of the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is to protect human health and to safeguard the natural environment — air, water, and land — upon which life depends. For 30 years, EPA has been working for a cleaner, healthier environment for the American people.
- The Problem** Paper waste is epidemic in most organizations but, when you are the government agency charged with protecting the environment, such waste is completely contrary to your mission. All regions of the EPA’s nationwide infrastructure have been challenged to find ways to reduce paper waste through its Resource Conservation Challenge (RCC). EPA’s Region 9 decided to seek out a technical solution to the problem and take action to stem the waste of paper that was occurring at printer stations throughout their offices.
- The Solution** In their search for a solution, EPA Region 9 discovered **FinePrint**, a printing management utility by FinePrint Software. Employees are now able to reduce the amount of paper that is produced by printing them two, four or even eight up on a page.
- Success!** Region 9 began a Fine Print Pilot Project as part of its regional efforts to reduce paper-use. Fifteen employees volunteered to pilot Fine Print and their initial feedback demonstrates that Fine Print has, on average, reduced paper use by 52%, with some volunteers seeing savings as high as 66% (FinePrint automatically calculates the percentage of paper waste reduction). This demonstration is supported by our Regional EMS and is included in the Resource Conservation Challenge (RCC), a national initiative promoted by HQ EPA.
- The Bottom Line** “The initial results of our FinePrint trial have been extremely encouraging as we’ve been able to realize a marked reduction in the amount of paper that has been produced throughout the office,” said Heather White, EPA Region 9’s <title>. “We expect to expand the program to include additional licensed copies of FinePrint later this year.”
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