

PRESS RELEASE

Ramada Williston Hotel earns ENERGY STAR certification; Outperforms similar U.S. buildings on measure of energy efficiency

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Williston, ND – The Ramada Williston Hotel in Williston, ND has earned the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) ENERGY STAR® certification for superior energy performance. It is the only hotel in both North and South Dakota to have been awarded the ENERGY STAR® in 2017.

"The Ramada Williston continues to demonstrate true environmental leadership by reducing harmful greenhouse gas emissions that are proven to contribute to climate change," stated Jean Lupinacci, ENERGY STAR Director for Commercial & Industrial Buildings. "Today, 45 percent of U.S. emissions are attributable to commercial and industrial buildings, which is why improving energy efficiency is so critical for our future."

ENERGY STAR certified buildings and plants are verified to perform in the top 25 percent of buildings nationwide, based on weather-normalized source energy use that takes into account occupancy, hours of operation, and other key metrics. ENERGY STAR is the only energy efficiency certification in the United States that is based on actual, verified energy performance.

"We're honored to earn the ENERGY STAR for superior energy performance at Ramada Williston and appreciate the efforts of everyone who has been involved in its efficient operation," said hotel manager Jerry Jacobson. "Saving energy is just one of the ways we show our community we care, and that we're committed to doing our part to protect the environment and public health, both today and for future generations. Our hotel is only one of 520 hotels throughout the USA that has earned the ENERGY STAR."

Jacobson credits this success to high constructions standards, highly efficient equipment and ongoing conversion to LED lighting measures implemented at the Ramada Williston.

On average, ENERGY STAR certified buildings and plants use 35 percent less energy, cause 35 percent fewer greenhouse gas emissions, and are less expensive to operate than their peers—all without sacrifices in performance or comfort.

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