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OSI Food Solutions Adopts ÖKOPROFIT Environmental Management System

System improves the environment while reducing costs

Duisburg, Germany, September 2009 - Established by the German government, ÖKOPROFIT is a relatively new environmental management system which develops practice-oriented individual measurements. The aim is twofold: to protect the environment on one hand (ÖKO) and to reduce costs on the other (PROFIT).

The German government invited businesses in each region of the country to participate. OSI is proud to be one of 14 companies initially committed to the program. They have established a dedicated team of 7 people who steer the ÖKOPROFIT program internally, which began in September 2009.

ÖKOPROFIT works through systematic interrogation of the inventory system, viewed together with input from a legal standpoint. The result is an improved environmental program with additional benefit measures on the operational side of the business.

OSI's commitment to the project is boosted by the support of a consulting company and the cooperation from a new network of companies. The core activity of ÖKOPROFIT is to provide an on-the-spot consulting service, advising where there is potential for improvement - be it in terms of environmental relief, cost reduction or legal security.

ÖKOPROFIT has already delivered against its main goals of cost reduction and improved environmental protection:

- There has been a reduction in water consumption with the installation of a reverse osmosis plant. This has saved approximately 1000 cubic meters of fresh and wastewater per month.
- OSI has experienced increased efficiency in utilization of the energy monitoring system.

In addition, thanks to the internal OSI team keeping the entire company up to speed with regular announcements about the project, there is a much greater appreciation and awareness of how OSI is using and conserving natural resources.

About OSI

For over 50 years, the OSI Group, LLC has been a global leader in supplying value added protein items and other food products to leading foodservice and retail brands. They are a privately held corporation with more than 40 facilities in 17 countries. Their global headquarters is located outside of Chicago in Aurora, Illinois, USA.

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