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## **MetLife Achieves RecycleOne Business Certification**

The Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority is pleased to announce that MetLife, Inc. located at 5950 Airport Road in Oriskany has obtained the Authority's RecycleOne Business Certification.

"MetLife, Inc. is a leading global provider of insurance, annuities and employee benefit programs, serving 90 million customers. MetLife has long focused on reducing the company's environmental footprint and ensuring a healthy planet for generations to come. They continuously strive to divert waste from landfills through a combination of waste reduction, recycling and reuse initiatives."

The **RecycleOne Business Certification** requires an on-site review from Authority staff to verify that specific solid waste management, recycling and energy reduction criteria have been achieved. If the criteria have been achieved, the Authority will issue the facility or business an official **RecycleOne Business Certification**.

Some of MetLife's sustainable efforts include:



- Developing an aggressive recycling program for all events and activities
- Implementing waste reduction and energy efficient policies and practices
- Forming an active Green Team
- Engaging employees on environmental issues and healthy lifestyle choices
- Working with suppliers to reduce environmental impacts
- Obtaining LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) Platinum Certification
- Obtaining carbon neutral status in 2016
- Hosting various Earth Day and TerraCycle Events
- Proper recycling of electronics, light bulbs, toner cartridges and batteries

"I was truly impressed with MetLife's facility. They do an excellent job to ensure that all staff are aware of and familiar with all company waste reduction programs, policies, and objectives. The staff at MetLife have done an outstanding job and are very deserving of this certification," concluded Emily Albright, Authority Director of Recycling.

Recycling in the workplace not only helps the environment, but can be economically advantageous by allowing for lower costs for waste removal and possible revenues from recycling. The program also encourages social responsibility, positive public response and sustainability.

For more information on the Authority's **RecycleOne Business Recycling Program**, contact Emily Albright, Director of Recycling, at (315) 733-1224 Ext. 1600 or visit [www.RecycleOneBusiness.com](http://www.RecycleOneBusiness.com) to download the **RecycleOne Business Recycling Program Guide**.

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