

March 5, 2009

Governor Patrick Quinn  
207 Statehouse  
301 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Springfield, IL 62706

SUBJECT: Illinois Sustainable University Compact

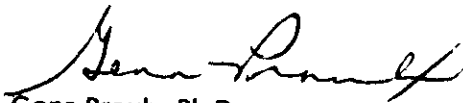
Dear Governor Quinn:

Enclosed is the signed Illinois sustainable University Compact wherein Joliet Junior College has committed to accomplishing ten of twelve goals by December 31, 2010.

This compact was approved by the Joliet Junior College's Sustainability Committee on February 4, 2009, Board of Trustees' Buildings & Grounds Committee on February 4, 2009, and by the Board of Trustees on February 17, 2009.

Joliet Junior College is proud to be joining you in this critical state initiative.

Sincerely,



Gena Proulx, Ph.D.  
President

Enclosure



In cooperation with the Illinois Green Government Coordinating Council and universities and community colleges across Illinois,

Joliet Junior College

joins the *Illinois Sustainable University Compact*, pledging to accomplish 10 of the following goals by December 31, 2010

- Acquire at least 3 percent of the energy for our campus from renewable sources
- Join the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's ENERGY STAR Challenge to increase energy efficiency on campus
- Pledge that all new buildings constructed on campus will earn the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification
- Promote more sustainable transportation options, such as
  - a. Purchasing hybrid and flex-fuel vehicles whenever practical
  - b. Using renewable fuels for our campus fleet
  - c. Establishing successful car-sharing and carpooling programs on campus
- Reduce carbon emissions on campus and look into joining a greenhouse gas emission reduction and trading system
- Reduce water usage on campus by at least 15 percent
- Complete at least one stormwater management project, such as
  - a. Installing permeable pavement in a parking lot on campus
  - b. Creating a rain garden to reduce damage from campus flooding
  - c. Incorporating swales into landscaping to improve drainage and reduce erosion
- Increase the amount of overall waste recycled on campus by at least 15 percent
- Purchase non-toxic cleaning products whenever practical
- Purchase at least 25 percent of the food served in our dining facilities from local farms and vendors
- Compost at least 5,000 cubic yards of the organic waste produced on campus
- Reduce pesticide use by establishing integrated pest management practices at all facilities on campus

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President  
Title

Joliet Junior College  
University or Community College

Lt. Governor Pat Quinn  
Chairman, Illinois Green Government  
Coordinating Council