

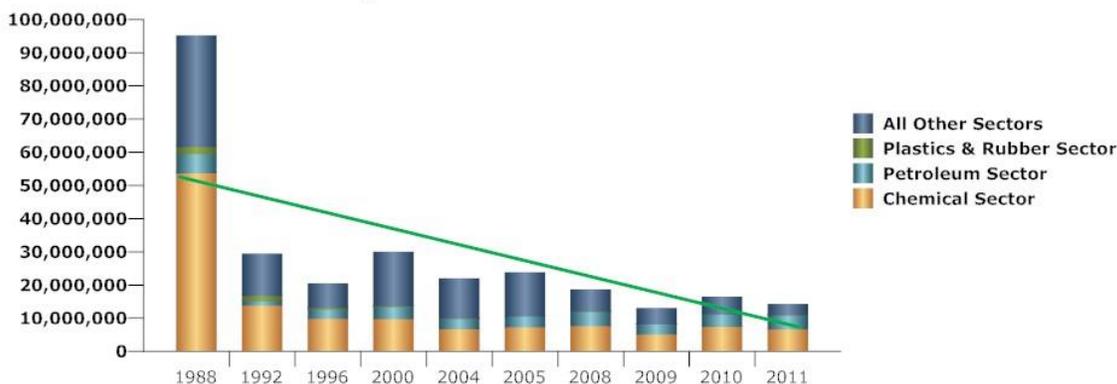
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## NEW JERSEY'S CHEMISTRY SECTOR CONTINUES TO DEMONSTRATE ITS COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT

Feb. 6, 2013 (Trenton, NJ) – Last month, the Environmental Protection Agency released its 2011 TRI (Toxic Release Inventory) data to the public, which demonstrated once again the chemistry industry's commitment to protecting the environment and the health & safety of its workers and communities in which they operate.

### NJ/EPA TRI EMISSIONS



In 2011, New Jersey's total TRI emissions decreased by about 14%, despite an 8% increase nationwide. EPA attributed the nationwide difference to "increases in land disposal at metal mines, which typically involve large facilities handling large volumes of material" (EPA TRI Press Release).

The EPA attributed New Jersey's overall decrease to the shift from coal-fired power plants to other cleaner energy sources and increase use of emission technologies at coal plants.

Since 1988, total TRI emissions in New Jersey have been reduced by 85%.

New Jersey chemical sector was also instrumental to the decrease. Accounting for about 48% of the total TRI emissions in NJ, these industrial processes, many of which operate 24 hours a day and 7 days a week, have voluntarily implemented emission reduction measures that continue to demonstrate great value in 2011, since the sector was able to reduce emissions by 11% compared to 2010, and by more than 87% since 1988. The national average for the chemical industry is 83%.

The chemical sector reduced its use of toxic chemicals and waste generation through source reduction activities in 2011. Good operating practices were also instrumental; some companies noted improved maintenance procedures or production schedules. Process modifications and spill and leak prevention were also commonly reported, according to the EPA.

"The numbers speak for themselves," said Hal Bozarth, executive director of the Chemistry Council of New Jersey. "The chemistry industry continues to successfully reduce its emissions and resulting risks to human health and the environment. To this end the



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industry supports and participates in air toxics programs that use the best available science and methods to build on this success to address any remaining unacceptable risks, taking into consideration, as appropriate, cost, feasibility, and the relative contributions of risk from other emissions sources.”

The CCNJ is pleased to share this information with the public and proud of its members’ commitment to continue to minimize their environmental impact on the Garden State.

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