

## EPA Honors Caesars Entertainment for Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Congratulations to Brad Waldron, A&WMA Board of Directors Vice President, and Caesars Entertainment for winning the Excellence in Greenhouse Gas Management (Goal Achievement Award) as part of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Center for Corporate Climate Leadership's 2014 Climate Leadership Awards. Nineteen awards were given to 15 organizations and two individuals in the public and private sectors for their leadership in addressing climate change by reducing carbon pollution.

Caesars Entertainment received the Excellence in Greenhouse Gas Management (Goal Achievement Award) by demonstrating critical devotion and leadership to managing and reducing greenhouse gas emissions and adapting to the risks and challenges posed by climate change. The company was honored along with Boeing, Cisco Systems, Ecolab; The Hartford, IBM, Johnson Controls, Kohl's Department Stores, Mack Trucks, and Novelis.

Under EPA's former Climate Leaders program, Caesars established a goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions from its U.S. operations by 10% between 2007 and 2012. Despite increasing its physical footprint by 18% through property expansions during the goal period, Caesars achieved and exceeded its goal by reducing absolute greenhouse gas emissions 11.4% one year ahead of schedule.

Caesars' greenhouse gas emission reduction strategy centered on improving energy efficiency without negatively impacting its guest experience. For example, the company replaced old lighting technologies with newer, more energy efficient products; upgraded guest room thermostats to programmable digital versions with integrated occupancy sensors; installed low-flow aerators and shower heads to help lower both water usage and the energy needed to heat water; and formalized shut-down procedures in food and beverage outlets.

More information about the 2014 Climate Leadership Award winners is available at [www.epa.gov/climateleadership/awards/2014winners.html](http://www.epa.gov/climateleadership/awards/2014winners.html) **em**

The Caesars Team accepts the award. From left to right: A&WMA Vice President Brad Waldron (Director, Corporate Risk), Eric Dominguez (Director, Engineering, Utilities & Environmental Affairs), Bill Reilly (former EPA Administrator and TPG Senior advisor), Gwen Migita (Vice President, Sustainability and Community Engagement), Lindsay Garcia (Manager, Sustainability and Public Affairs), and Brendan O'Kane (Harrah's Rincon Facilities Director and CodeGreen Leader).

