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**Pennsylvania Governor Rendell Announces  
Environmental Excellence Award Winners**

*ESS Energy Products, Inc. Among Nine Companies Honored*

HARRISBURG, Pa., March 19 -- Governor Edward G. Rendell recognized nine Pennsylvania businesses and organizations today that are adopting environmentally friendly practices and technologies and are working to revitalize communities, reduce pollution, and educate the public on the benefits of being good stewards of the state's natural resources.

ESS Energy Products was cited for providing common sense and highly cost effective products to save heating and cooling costs for homeowners while at the same time improving comfort. While newly constructed and most existing homes have insulated and reasonably air sealed attics, it is the entrances to the attic that are most inevitably overlooked for either air sealing, insulation or both.

ESS developed ***The Energy Guardian® Kits*** to stop waste in heating and cooling costs due to attic entrances. The kits are lightweight, easy to use and very durable. Different models were designed to fit over the various types of attic entrances. Numerous homeowners as well as third party experts consistently report significant energy savings as well as dramatic improvement in comfort.

***The Energy Guardian Kits*** were also cited for being made primarily of recycled material produced by an Allentown, Pennsylvania company. From this material, the kits are assembled and warehoused in Pennsylvania and then shipped to builders, homeowners, contractors and weatherization agencies throughout much of the United States.

For more information on the 2008 Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence, visit: <http://www.depweb.state.pa.us/enviroexcellence/cwp/view.asp?a=3&q=494539>.