Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC)

Background

- CEC Secretariat was formed as a part of the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation (NAAEC) under the North America Free Trade Agreement
- Member countries are Mexico, the United States, and Canada
- Currently operating under the 2010-2015 Strategic Plan which focuses on 3 pillars of activity:
 - healthy ecosystems
 - greening the NA economy
 - low-carbon economy

CEC Cooperative Work Program

- CEC is trilaterally funded with an annual budget of 9 Million CAN
- Cooperative work plan consists of Operational Plan and the North American Partnership for Environmental Community Action (NAPECA) grant program
- Stronger focus on trade and the environment in 2013-2014 Operational Plan through projects clustered around green economy, low-carbon economy, and waste in trade

Greening the NA Economy

 Work with partners in the private sector to improve the environmental performance of small- and medium-sized enterprises in areas such as state-ofthe-art green building design, and the movement of used electronics and other e-wastes within our borders and beyond.

Improving the Economic and Environmental Performance of the North American Truck and Bus Manufacturing Supply Chain

- This project will establish a public-private sustainability partnership among the bus and heavyduty truck manufacturing sectors modeled on the one established by the United States, Mexico and Canada for the North American auto manufacturers.
- This project builds on the 2011-2012 Greening auto supply manufacturing in North America project.

Improving Conditions for Green Building Construction in North America

- This project aims to increase the environmental and economic performance of the built environment in North America by focusing on green workforce training and resource use efficiency, and building capacity for benchmarking in Mexico (EnergySTAR).
- This project builds on the 2011-2012 Green Building and Construction in North America.

