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EQ – The Environmental Quality Company Receives 2011 EBJ Business Achievement Award Environmental Business Journal Recognizes Firms for Growth and Innovation

San Diego, Calif.—Environmental Business Journal® (EBJ), a business research publication which provides high value strategic business intelligence to the environmental industry*, has honored 50 companies for revenue growth, acquisitions, innovative project designs, technology applications, new practice areas, social contributions and industry leadership in 2011.

EQ – The Environmental Quality Company is pleased to announce that it was chosen to receive the EBJ award for Technology Merit – Waste Management & Pollution Control.

“In what is widely regarded as a stable market, a number of companies exceeded the norms of low single-digit growth with double-digit growth or ambitious ventures into new practice areas or technology development,” said Grant Ferrier, president of Environmental Business International Inc. (EBI, San Diego), publisher of Environmental Business Journal.

EQ was recognized for the development of our recycling program to manage spent N-Methyl-2-Pyrrolidone (NMP), a non-hazardous solvent used in lithium-ion battery manufacturing. Approximately one million gallons of spent electric-grade NMP is generated annually in battery manufacturers for electric and hybrid vehicles. EQ markets and redistributes recycled NMP once the solvent is reclaimed. NMP is used to dissolve and transport Nickel, Magnesium and Cobalt (NMC) powder. Once the NMC has been released onto the electrode plates, the material is cooled, condensed and collected as a waste by-product. EQ receives the by-product NMP in bulk from manufacturers and distills it into an industrial-grade NMP.

The 2011 EBJ awards will be presented at a special ceremony at the Environmental Industry Summit X in Coronado, Calif. on March 14-16, 2012. The [Environmental Industry Summit](#) is an annual three-day event hosted by EBI Inc.

** Environmental Business Journal provides strategic information and market forecasts for executives involved in 14 business segments, including environmental remediation, water & wastewater, air pollution control, environmental consulting & engineering, hazardous waste, instrumentation, pollution control equipment, waste management, resource recovery, and solid waste management.*

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About EQ: EQ – The Environmental Quality Company is a fully integrated environmental services and waste management organization based in Wayne, Michigan. We implement innovative technology and service solutions that minimize waste volumes, reduce costs and protect the environment. EQ owns ISO and OHSAS certified treatment, disposal and recycling facilities and manages an extensive line of remediation, industrial cleaning and total waste management services throughout North America. Our combination of fixed-based facilities and extensive service capabilities allows EQ to meet the environmental sustainability goals of our customers. For additional information on EQ, please go to www.eqonline.com.

About the EBJ Business Achievement Awards: In October-December 2011, Climate Change Business Journal solicited nominations for the EBJ Business Achievement Awards. Nominations were accepted in 200-word essays in either specific or unspecified categories. Final awards were determined by a committee of EBJ staff and EBJ editorial advisory board members. (Disclaimer: company audits were not conducted to verify information or claims submitted with nominations.)

About EBI: Founded in 1988, Environmental Business International Inc. (EBI, San Diego, Calif.) is a research, publishing and consulting company that specializes in defining emerging markets and generating strategic market intelligence for companies, investors and policymakers. EBI publishes [Environmental Business Journal](#)®, the leading provider of strategic information for the environmental industry, and [Climate Change Business Journal](#)®, which covers nine segments of the Climate Change Industry. EBI also performs contract research for the government and private sector and founded the Environmental Industry Summit, an annual three-day event for executives in the environmental industry.

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