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ABSTRACT

Environmental Management approaches can be used to minimize waste generation, reduce risk and at same time increase the business profit. In this work, Environmental Management options are adopted for reducing solid waste, water usage, energy consumptions and minimize risk. For this purpose, an Environmental Management audit has been conducted at Izie Herb Enterprise, a Small and Medium Enterprise. In general, the Environmental Management practises at Izie Herb Enterprise were classified based on four major elements which are Good Operating Practices, Process Changes, Substitution of Materials and Source Reduction. Subsequently, the options practiced were evaluated in terms of their benefits and barriers in prioritizing the options for possible implementation on waste, energy, water and risk reduction. Despite attractive economics and significant reductions in environmental impacts, the widespread adoption of Environmental Management options at Izie Herb Enterprise still remains limited because of these four key of concern; lack of available resources, information barriers, internal attitudes and wrong perceptions.

From the analysis of data obtained, it can be summarized that 900 kg of solid wastes were generated and 720 m³ of water is used yearly at Izie Herb Enterprise. A total of 62,123.4 kWh of electricity is used per year with oven is the highest contributor in electricity usage which accounts 43,800 kWh equals to 70.5 % of total electricity usage. Milling machine is the second highest contributor in electricity usage which is 4,800 kWh and is equal to 7.73% of total electricity usage.

ABSTRAK

Pendekatan Pengurusan Alam Sekitar boleh digunakan untuk meminimumkan penghasilan sisa, mengurangkan risiko bahaya dan pada masa yang sama memberi keuntungan perniagaan. Dalam kajian ini, opsyen-opsyen Pengurusan Alam Sekitar dihasilkan untuk mengurangkan sisa pepejal, penggunaan air, tenaga dan juga risiko bahaya. Bagi tujuan ini, audit Pengurusan Alam Sekitar telah dijalankan di Izie Herb Enterprise, sebuah Perusahaan Kecil dan Sederhana. Data yang diperolehi kemudiannya digunakan untuk menghasilkan sebanyak mungkin opsyen-opsyen sesuai. Secara umumnya, penjanaan Pengurusan Alam Sekitar dikelaskan kepada empat elemen berikut iaitu Amalan Operasi yang Baik, Perubahan Proses, Penukaran Bahan-Bahan dan Pengurangan Sumber. Seterusnya, opsyen-opsyen tersebut dinilai dari segi faedah dan halangan untuk mengetahui keutamaan perlaksanaan keatas pengurangan sisa, tenaga, air dan risiko. Meskipun terdapat tarikan ekonomi dan pengurangan kesan alam sekitar, penerimaan opsyen Pengurusan Alam Sekitar masih terhad di Izie Herb Enterprise kerana kekurangan sumber, halangan penyampaian maklumat, sikap dan persepsi yang salah.

Berdasarkan kepada analisa data yang diperolehi, kesimpulan dapat dibuat bahawa 900 kg sisa pepejal dihasilkan dan 720 m³ air digunakan setahun oleh pekerja Izie Herb Enterprise. Sejumlah 62,123.4 kWh tenaga elektrik digunakan setahun dimana oven merupakan penyumbang tertinggi iaitu 43,800 kWh bersamaan 70.5% daripada jumlah keseluruhan penggunaan. Mesin pengisar pula adalah penyumbang kedua tertinggi penggunaan tenaga elektrik iaitu 4,800 kWh bersamaan dengan 7.73% daripada jumlah keseluruhan.

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ABBREVIATIONS

SMEs Small and Medium Enterprises

EMS Environmental Management System

ICT Information and Communication Technology

RM Ringgit Malaysia

SKMM Companies Commission of Malaysia

GDP Gross Domestic Product

ISO International Organization for Standardization

EMAS Eco-Management and Audit Scheme

Pan-EU Whole European Union

BS British Standard

PDCA Plan, Do, Check, Act

US EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

LCA Life Cycle Analysis

GMP Good Manufacturing Process

NPCB National Pharmaceutical Control Bureau

SIRIM Standards and Industrial Research Institute of Malaysia

MARA Majlis Amanah Rakyat

KKLIU Kementerian Kesihatan Lembaga Iklan Ubat

MOH Ministry of Health

SMS Short messaging service

RON95 Research Octane Number 1995

CRT Cathode Ray Tubes

LCD Liquid Crystal Display

PPE Personal Protection Equipment

PDF Portable Document Format (Adobe Acrobat)

E-mail Electronic Mail

CFLs Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs

°C Degree Celsius

% Percent

Kg Kilogram

m³ Cubic Meter

L Liter

W Watt

kWh Kilowatt hour

ft Feet

e.g. For example

i.e. That is