

## Saab Barracuda Re-Certifies!

Congratulations to **Saab Barracuda** from Lillington for re-certifying in the Sustainable Sandhills Green Business Program! Saab Barracuda was originally certified in early 2010



and became recertified in April 2011, passing with flying colors. In fact, they added several new green measures to their already impressive list!



Since becoming certified last year, Saab Barracuda began working with Shari Dutton at [Enviroolutions](#) in Moore County. Shari helped the plant find sources to recycle much of the material they were paying to dispose of, diverting more than 50 tons of material from disposal in a landfill annually, and saving the plant \$5000 in the first year! A major lighting upgrade across a large area of the plant to high efficiency T8 fluorescent fixtures is saving

Saab Barracuda money and reducing their carbon footprint.

SS staff worked directly with **Mark Cauthen** (Manager - Quality, Technical, Safety and Environmental) and **Patricia Anderson** (Vice President – Quality, Technical, Safety and Environmental) at Saab Barracuda. Pictured below with SS Executive Director Jon Parsons is Mark Cauthen (far left) and **Dottie Womack** (center, President and CEO).

At the **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual NC Green Business Conference** in Fayetteville on March 30, Mr. Tad Davis, CEO of the US Army Reserve Command, highlighted a number of SS Green Businesses, and Saab Barracuda was one of those local businesses featured in his keynote presentation. While Mr. Davis is not able to officially endorse any of these green businesses, his appreciation for businesses “going green” is a long and deeply held conviction. He was the Garrison Commander at Fort Bragg from 2000-2003, and is a co-founder of Sustainable Sandhills. Prior to his position at USARC, he was the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Environment, Health and Safety.



**Saab Barracuda** manufactures “signature management” products (camouflage, concealment and deception products) which provide multi-spectral protection against visual, near infrared, thermal infrared and broadband radar detection. While their products may qualify them as “experts in the art of deception” – they “stick out like a green thumb” on our growing list of certified businesses across the Sandhills. Congratulations to their entire team!



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Green businesses reduce waste, promote recycling, become energy and water efficient, purchase eco-friendly products, and educate their employees and customers about the multiple benefits of a sustainable community. For more information about how your business can become a [Sustainable Sandhills Certified Green Business](#) today, please contact your Green Business Coordinator:

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