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## DEQ honors Tulsa recycler for excellence

PRYOR — The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality recognized a Tulsa electronics recycler Tuesday for its excellence in pollution prevention.

The recycler, Natural Evolution Inc, was the first organization to receive Gold OKStar recognition. The DEQ developed the Oklahoma Star Incentive (OKStar) program to honor organizations that continually comply with or exceed regulations to protect the environment and employee safety.

DEQ presented the award to Natural Evolution on Tuesday following an Environmental Quality Board meeting in Pryor.

Natural Evolution helps clients, at no charge, dispose of computers and other electronics in the most efficient ways available. Those methods include reallocating the equipment or "demanufacturing" it by recycling the parts and components in completely landfill-free ways.

In 2004, Natural Evolution helped dispose of more than 3.25 million pounds of electronic gear.

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