



## U.S. EPA Honors Food Lion with 2012 Superior Goal Achievement Award

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### Public Company Information:

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Food Lion has earned the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's 2012 Superior Goal Achievement Award, one of the agency's honors for commercial refrigeration achievements by GreenChill Partners. Food Lion officials received the award today at the FMI Energy & Store Development Conference in Baltimore, Md.

"Today's announcement reinforces Food Lion's commitment to being a responsible corporate citizen by reducing emissions, protecting the environment and becoming more efficient as we enhance our customer shopping experience," said Susan Sollenberger, director of energy, maintenance and equipment purchasing at Delhaize America South, which includes Food Lion stores. "We are honored to receive this award, and look forward to continuing to serve our communities."

Today's annual achievement award is in recognition of Food Lion meeting its GreenChill commitment for reducing refrigerant emissions.

"Food Lion has been a member of GreenChill since the partnership began in 2007," Tom Land, GreenChill Partnership Manager. "Since then, Food Lion has continually renewed their commitment to reducing harmful refrigerant emissions. Earning a Superior Goal Achievement award is further evidence of this."

Food Lion has won GreenChill's Distinguished Partner Award and its Superior Environmental Achievement Award in the past. Food Lion has pioneered various technologies that save energy and reduce harmful refrigerant leaks, from GreenChill to building two Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certified stores in both North Carolina and South Carolina.

Food Lion has more than half of the nation's ENERGY STAR stores, with more than 1,000 certified stores. In addition, the company has partnered with utilities to evaluate a variety of energy saving opportunities, such as solar power.

### About Food Lion

Food Lion, based in Salisbury, N.C., is a subsidiary of Delhaize America, the U.S. division of Brussels-based Delhaize Group (NYSE: DEG) and operates more than 1,100 supermarkets. The company employs approximately 57,000 associates delivering quality products, low prices and service to customers in 10 Southeastern and Mid-Atlantic states. For more information, visit [www.foodlion.com](http://www.foodlion.com).

### About EPA's GreenChill Partnership

EPA's GreenChill Partnership works with supermarkets to reduce refrigerant emissions and decrease their impact on the ozone layer and climate change. The Partnership helps supermarkets transition to environmentally friendlier refrigerants; reduce harmful refrigerant emissions; and adopt greener refrigeration technologies and environmental best practices. There are over 8,000 GreenChill Partner stores throughout the nation. For more information, visit [www2.epa.gov/greenchill](http://www2.epa.gov/greenchill).

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