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**Background**

As part of the Nebraska Industrial Assessment Center (NIAC) team, the intern assessed Horton Holding, Inc. which manufactures fan clutches for semi-trucks and farming equipment. Also, the intern assessed Aulick Industries and CS Precision. Aulick industries primarily produces tractor trailers while CS Precision makes hydraulic coupling components.

**Project Description**

As part of these assessments, examples of the recommendations that were prepared include:

- Recycling the pallets instead of incineration. By recycling the pallets, the disposal payments would decrease.
- Reducing the operating pressure of the air compressors.
- Replacing standard V-belts with higher efficiency cogged V-belts on its applicable machinery. Cogged V-belts, on average, are 2% more efficient than standard V-belts because of the reduction of energy losses due to friction, bending and slippage.

**Pollution Prevention Benefits**

The benefits of the recommendations discussed above are summarized below in Table 1:

**Table 1:** Recommendations Savings and Benefits

Recommendation	Annual Cost Savings	Implementation Cost	Payback Period (years)	Energy Savings (kWh/yr.)	GHG Reduction (MTCO2e /yr.)
Recycle Pallets	\$58,750	-	-	-	-
Pressure reduction in air compressors	\$600	-	-	42,310	31.5
Cogged V-Belts	\$3,200	\$1,575	0.5	54,000	40.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 62,550</b>	<b>\$1,575</b>	<b>0.5*</b>	<b>96,310</b>	<b>71.7</b>
*Total payback period was calculated by taking the total implementation cost divided by the total annual cost savings.					