



## Colgate-Palmolive Receives 2019 Leadership Award from U.S. Green Building Council

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*Colgate Honored for Sustainability Achievements*

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Nov. 21, 2019-- Colgate-Palmolive Company received a [U.S. Green Building Council](#) (USGBC) 2019 Leadership Award in recognition of exemplary work and leadership in the green building industry. Colgate was honored for this achievement at the USGBC's Greenbuild International Conference and Expo on November 20, marking a significant milestone in Colgate's ongoing commitment to sustainable business practices.

Since 2007, Colgate has been an active member of the USGBC and is committed to its [Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design](#) (LEED) green building rating system as well as its [TRUE Zero Waste](#) program. LEED membership evidences the company's commitment to designing and constructing environmentally-friendly manufacturing sites, technology centers, warehouses and offices. TRUE Zero Waste certifies projects with the goal to divert all solid waste from landfills, incineration (waste-to-energy) and the environment. To date, 19 of Colgate's facilities around the world have achieved LEED certification. Additionally, 30 percent of its manufacturing facilities are TRUE Zero Waste certified and Colgate has more TRUE Zero Waste certified projects on more continents than any other company.

"Colgate's commitment to sustainable buildings and zero manufacturing waste represents an important facet of our sustainability efforts," said Ann Tracy, Vice President, Global Sustainability. "We are honored to partner with the U.S. Green Building Council and to receive this year's Leadership Award."

Colgate has made commitments to convert to 100 percent recyclable packaging by 2025, pledging its support as a signatory of the [Ellen MacArthur Foundation's New Plastics Economy Global Commitment](#). This month the Company debuted the first recyclable toothpaste tube recognized by the Association of Plastic Recyclers (APR), released under the company's Tom's of Maine brand. Additionally, Colgate is furthering its efforts by [sharing the technology](#) broadly with the industry, including competitors, to encourage the widespread adoption of recyclable tubes.

This news adds to the significant sustainability milestones that Colgate has reached in 2019. For the first time, Colgate was recognized by the [Dow Jones Sustainability Indices](#) as the top performing Household Products company. Colgate was also highlighted on Barron's List of the [100 Most Sustainable U.S. Companies](#), named to EPA's [Green Power Partnership National Top 100](#), and was honored as an [ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year](#) - Sustained Excellence by the U.S. EPA ENERGY STAR program. Additional details about Colgate's sustainability goals and accomplishments are available in its Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Report: [Building a Future to Smile About](#).

### **About the U.S. Green Building Council:**

The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) is committed to a prosperous and sustainable future through cost-efficient and energy-saving green buildings. USGBC works toward its mission of market transformation through its LEED green building program, robust educational offerings, an international network of local community leaders, the annual [Greenbuild International Conference & Expo](#), the [Center for Green Schools](#) and [advocacy](#) in support of public policy that encourages and enables green buildings and communities. For more information, visit [usgbc.org](#) and connect on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

### **About Colgate-Palmolive:**

Colgate-Palmolive is a leading global consumer products company, focused on Oral Care, Personal Care, Home Care and Pet Nutrition. With more than 34,000 people and its products sold in over 200 countries and territories, Colgate is known for household names such as Colgate, Palmolive, elmex, Tom's of Maine, Sorriso, Speed Stick, Lady Speed Stick, Softsoap, Irish Spring, Protex, Sanex, Filorga, eltaMD, PCA Skin, Ajax, Axion, Fabuloso, Soupline and Suavitel, as well as Hill's Science Diet and Hill's Prescription Diet. The Company is also recognized for its leadership and innovation in promoting environmental sustainability and community wellbeing, including its achievements in saving water, reducing waste, promoting recyclability and improving the oral health of children through its Bright Smiles, Bright Futures program, which has reached more than one billion children since 1991. For more information about Colgate's global business and how the Company is building a future to smile about, visit <http://www.colgatepalmolive.com>. CL-C

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