

CEWG

Community Environmental Working Group

Established in 2004, the **Community Environmental Working Group** advocates continuous environmental improvements at the Intel New Mexico plant, including reduction of Intel's chemical emissions. The



Group also promotes constructive dialogue on all issues related to its mission. The Group has no formal control over Intel. Therefore the improvements made come by building the breadth and depth of information exchanged and the weight of evidence it can muster on all issues related to its mission.

The Working Group includes longtime

“green” activists, local critics of Intel, other community voices, and a representative from Intel.

The Working Group held its first meeting on August 25, 2004, and has met monthly since. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. The Group meets every third Wednesday from 5:15 to 7:00 in the evening at **Corrales Senior Center**, 4324 Corrales Road, Corrales, NM.

The acting chair for the Working Group, and for New Mexico Citizens for Clean Air & Water, is John Bartlit, a longtime environmental activist.

For more information about the Working Group or upcoming meetings, please visit our website at www.cewg.org or e-mail facilitator at cewgnm@gmail.com.

CEWG Meeting Guidelines

Below is an excerpt from the group's meeting guidelines.

- ▶ Our work will be guided first and foremost by our mission: ***The Working Group is committed to making continuous environmental improvements, including the reduction of Intel's chemical emissions and improving community dialogue.***
- ▶ Our primary task is to generate useful ideas for continuous improvement based on informed study and discussion.
- ▶ We recognize the importance of knowing the perceptions, ideas, and opinions of members of the public. Community members are encouraged to attend and participate in the discussion.
- ▶ We are committed to excellent dialogue and encourage expression of a diversity of perspectives in an environment of mutual respect. We will express our own opinions clearly and listen to and acknowledge perspectives other than our own. We will share speaking time, allow uninterrupted speaking time, and permit everyone an opportunity to speak in turn.

Striving for continuous environmental improvement at INTEL

A Message From Acting Chair John Bartlit

Work on Intel Air Issues Brings Good Results

Public demonstrations in Rio Rancho on occasional Saturdays aim to focus on Intel issues ranging from tax rates to the environment.

Some environmental advocates have worked in a very different forum on air and water issues of Intel since 2004—the Community Environmental Working Group (CEWG). **The CEWG meets in public the third Wednesday of every month at the Corrales Senior Center, 5:15 to 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to observe and participate.**

Persistent work in the CEWG forum, in combination with the efforts of others, has gained major environmental improvements at Intel and more will come. The achievements are described in our one-page annual short reports to the community.

The largest achievements are:

- ▶ Stacks (chimneys) were raised higher to reduce the maximum ground level concentrations of pollutants.
- ▶ Redundant (backup) units were added to the thermal oxidizer pollution controls.
- ▶ Community-controlled testing for crystalline silica was done on Intel's stack emissions; federal test results found no significant crystalline silica.

The CEWG also takes into account findings about Intel's emissions from the tax-funded work of many state and federal agencies, namely:

- ▶ The Air Quality Bureau of the New Mexico Environment Department
- ▶ U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (onsite inspection report, fall 2010)
- ▶ U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (public health consultation, report 2009)
- ▶ National Institute for Occupational Health and Safety (analytical results for silica emissions, report 2011)
- ▶ New Mexico Department of Health (analysis of Corrales health data, report spring 2011)

The named reports can be found in various sections of this website.

The CEWG welcomes inquiries and involvement in its work methods and continued environmental gains.

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