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## **Columbus Clippers Honored in 5<sup>th</sup> Annual SWACO Emerald Awards** *Organization recognized in "Partnership" category for recycling efforts*

**COLUMBUS – May 14, 2010** – The Columbus Clippers were honored yesterday in the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual SWACO Emerald Awards for its outstanding recycling program. Honored in the "Partnership" category, the organization was recognized for working with Rumpke to recycle more than 220 tons of paper, cardboard, plastics and grass clippings.

"The intent behind Huntington Park is to be as eco-friendly as possible," said Ken Schnacke, president and general manager of the Columbus Clippers. "The partnership with Rumpke allows us to set a recycling standard for entertainment venues."

Through a focus on reorganizing its waste management room and emphasizing recycling throughout Huntington Park, the program diverted 97 tons of cardboard, 13 tons of grass clippings and 110 tons of mixed recyclables from its waste stream.

Moving forward, the Clippers and Rumpke plan to replicate and grow the program, with the hope that each year the program will gain more traction and participation from fans. Consideration is being given to multiple recycling-themed promotional nights to spike awareness of the program. Additionally, the two organizations are researching additional ways to capitalize on internal recycling opportunities as it relates to the Clippers' corporate offices.



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