



Owens-Illinois, Inc. (NYSE: OI) is the largest manufacturer of glass containers in the world, with leading positions in Europe, North America, Asia Pacific and Latin America. Headquartered in Perrysburg, Ohio, O-I's innovative packaging products are found in households and businesses and its customers manufacture and market many of the best-known consumer-products around the globe.

O-I produces glass containers for food and beverage products in which consumers value taste and purity. Key package applications include those for food, tea, juice, malt beverages, including beer and ready-to-drink low-alcohol refreshers, liquor, wine, as well as drug and chemical packaging. The company is dedicated to innovations in packaging that improve the performance of its products through global resources and design expertise and consistently delivers consumer-preferred products that enable superior taste, purity, visual appeal and value benefits for its customers' products.

Glass is resource efficient, and can be reused in its original form more than other packaging materials. Glass recycling and reuse contribute significantly to reducing glass packaging's carbon footprint. The use of recycled glass or cullet in batch materials has the following beneficial impacts:

- Every 1 kg of cullet used replaces 1.2 kg of virgin raw materials that would otherwise need to be extracted.
- Every 10 percent of recycled glass or cullet used in production results in an approximate 5 percent reduction in carbon emissions and energy savings of about 3 percent.

Several initiatives are underway in the glass industry that will further increase the efficiency of glass packaging, including:

- Efforts to improve recovery and recycling of glass containers to help eliminate the diversion of glass to landfill, leading to a decrease in energy use and global warming potential.
- Lightweighting glass containers reduces raw material usage, emissions, energy used and overall weight.

O-I has launched a long-range sustainability portfolio aimed at making continuous improvements to reduce energy, reduce emissions, increase cullet usage and improve safety practices. O-I has set a cullet usage goal of achieving a recycled content of 60 percent in glass containers globally by 2017.

O-I's plant in Atlanta, Ga., opened in 1957 and employs more than 240 people. The plant produces amber (brown) and flint (clear) glass containers for the beer market, manufacturing more than 540 tonnes of glass bottles per day. The Atlanta plant uses approximately 40 percent cullet in its amber production and approximately 35 percent in its flint production.

