

**ASME Environmental Engineering Division Summary**  
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Conferences:

Gary Benda played a major role in the organization and success of the ICEM conference in the summer of 2001. This conference netted approximately \$50,000 for the Division. The Dixie Lee Ray Conference, which was to have been held in spring 2002 (rescheduled from October 2001 due to 9/11 aftermath), was ultimately cancelled. The Division played a role in the Incineration and Thermal Treatment Technologies (IT3) conference in May 2003, and also in the PSAM 6 (risk assessment) conference in June 2002. The Division continues to actively look for partnering opportunities.

Awards:

The Dixie Lee Ray Award was presented this year to Dr. Mohammad Al-Sarawi, the Director General of the Kuwaiti Environment Public Authority. He had a major role in addressing air pollution due to burning oil wells, and remediation of released crude oil from the invasion of the Iraqi forces.

Government Interactions:

The EED participated in the review of the EPA's budget this past year, as part of the larger review of the Federal R&D in science and engineering, coordinated by ASME's Government Relations group in Washington.

Position Papers:

The EED is reviewing the ASME Statement on Green Manufacturing.

Initiatives: The EED has started a Task Force on Carbon Sequestration, which met several times during the summer and early fall. The intent is to build a resource that could serve in a technical advisory and teaching capacity on this issue.

A major effort in the late summer / early fall resulted in a proposal to the COE regarding the formation of an Environmental Institute within COE.