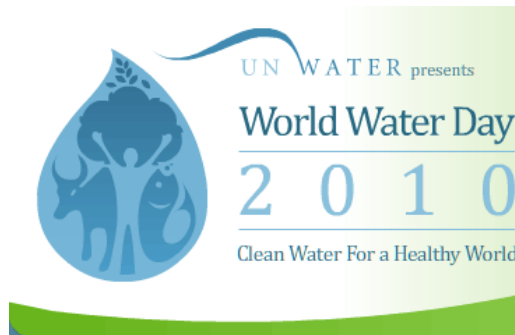


PortionPac Connection™

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Happy World Water Day!



Today is [World Water Day](#) and a good time to review what you are doing to protect this critical resource. In order for us all to live and our economy to thrive we must address this issue. ([Click here](#) for another informative article.) Many of our states are losing crops and quality of life from their water shortage. Our industry's number one cleaning product is water and you have the power to make a dramatic reduction in its use. Here are a few suggestions:

1. Program cleaning. Schedule floor maintenance.
2. Use procedures that reduce the amount of solution to do the job.
3. Do the job right the first time...avoid doing it over with the resulting double use of water.
4. Allow time for the detergent to clean, giving it a few seconds to work will allow you to use less detergent.
5. Mix detergents properly. Portion control is the best solution but if you are using bulk chemicals, instruct personnel on how to get proper dilution and if you are using metering machines make sure that the unit is tested for proper dilution.
6. And just think before you turn on the faucet.

Here is a great example of small steps having a great impact. Our SFSPac Division works with School Nutrition Departments. By programming the Pot and Pan sinks, the Food Service Workers averaged one less soap sink and one less rinse sink a day. If the sink is 18 gallons that is 36 gallons of water a day. For the purpose of this illustration, 9,000 schools saving 36 gallons each of the 180 school days equals 58,320,000 gallons. Think about that. 58 million gallons of water a year saved from one application.

But there are many more benefits. You also save:

- the energy used to pump that water,
- the cost of the water,
- the fuel to heat that water,
- the labor to fill the sinks,
- the labor to empty the sinks,
- the cost of disposing of the waste water,
- and it's impact on the environment.

So you and the world are big winners every time you use water correctly.

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