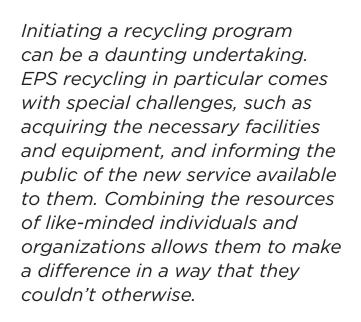
EPS Recycling Advancements & Technology Innovations



## **CASE STUDY**

## The Challenge: Partnerships



## **Benchmarks**

**~ 3,000** Lbs Waste Polystyrene Recycled Per Event, or 3 26' box trucks

> ~3,000 PA residents were provided with recycling service

Won the Pennsylvania Resources Council 2013 Innovative Recycling Award

Increased EPS recycling awareness by active media presence



In 2012, NOVA Chemicals began a pilot recycling program with their employees that encouraged them to bring in any EPS foam they may have at home for recycling. The success of the "Foam from Home" program inspired NOVA to expand their recycling efforts by Partnering with the Pennsylvania Resources Council, a local organization dedicated to the preservation of Pennsylvania's environment, and Appliance Warehouse, a chain of furniture stores that recently purchased equipment to recycle all of their EPS packaging in-house. Partnering with PRC and Appliance Warehouse has allowed NOVA to expand the opportunities for recycling EPS by combining the outreach power of PRC with Appliance Warehouse's infrastructure, establishing a convenient means of recycling in a variety of locations. As a result of this series of collection events, the Appliance Warehouse is now a permanent EPS drop-off location.

## **Notable Achievements**

As a result of their outreach and collaboration with local businesses and organizations, NOVA Chemicals was presented with the Pennsylvania Resources Council 2013 Innovative Recycling Award. The award is presented annually to organizations that advance the preservation of Pennsylvania's environment through effective and creative means.

