Sustainability Statement

ULitho is dedicated to making today and tomorrow a greener day for all of us. We have implemented products and processes that are friendlier for the environment, collaborated with paper companies that are committed to green, shared our knowledge with designers and clients, invested in more sustainable technology and care deeply.

Every day at ULitho we continue to green our approach. We were one of the first in our region to adopt a direct-to-plate workflow eliminating film and film chemistry. We have judiciously recycled paper and metal plates for over 35 years. We were a member of the Michigan Greater Printer Program for over 10 years whose sole purpose was to reduce, reuse and recycle anything within the manufacturing process. We've also taken the lead educating our customers and offering greener products; such as recycled paper stocks that are Forestry Stewardship Council and Sustainable Forestry Initiative certified and environmentally safer ink solvents, which are better for the earth and our employees.

Eight years ago, we invested in the future of green. We proudly introduced ULitho Digital: a flexible, efficient, environmentally responsible alternative to offset printing. What makes it so green? The printer itself limits waste considerably. All of the usable items are collected for recycling, reuse, or environmentally friendly disposal. All of the inks are “dry” and contain no hazardous UV coating chemicals. What’s more, digital printing is well suited for efficient, short print runs allowing for on-demand print runs, reducing inflated inventory and reducing stockpiles of obsolete printed materials. The first sheet off the digital press is your proof, also eliminating traditional proofing.

All ULitho offset presses use Soy Based Vegetable inks. ULitho digital press prints with Ecotones. Our bindery offers glue binding for brochures that have eight or twelve pages as an alternative to saddle stitched binding; a cost effective and sustainable option.

Certifications

We established a team to create our Forestry Stewardship Council and Sustainable Forestry Initiative procedures, and were approved for certification on the first attempt; we have re-certified without any audit warnings for the past nine years. Few printers choose to do dual FSC/SFI certification; however, we felt both the programs were very beneficial to the environment and something we wanted to be a part of.

We are dedicated not just to continuing our sustainable focus, but we’re also enthusiastic about guiding every interested client through it. Being green conscious isn’t the easiest; it can be costly. Should you decide green is the way it should be, we promise to guide you through it as best we can with our experience and partnerships with FSC/SFI certified paper companies.