

## EPA Honors Choice Organic Teas

Seattle, WA October 2004 – The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) honored Choice Organic Teas for purchasing clean, renewable energy at the Better Business Through Green Power Conference held at Qwest Field and Events Center in Seattle. Choice Organic Teas is an exclusively organic tea line created by Granum, Inc. that utilizes wind-generated power for 100% of their electricity usage. Green Power is defined by the EPA as “electricity generated by renewable energy sources including solar, wind, water, geothermal, biomass and biogas.”

According to the EPA, the nation’s single largest industrial source of air pollution is conventional electricity generation. Participating in the green power programs is one way to demonstrate commitment to environmental protection. “The green power purchases by companies here in the Northwest equate to removing over 33,500 cars from the road,” said Julie Hagensen of the EPA. Currently there are 500 organizations partnered with the Green Power Partnership. To learn more, visit the Environmental Protection Agency’s Green Power Partnership [www.epa.gov/greenpower](http://www.epa.gov/greenpower) or <http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/pdf/EPAPressReleaseOctober192004.pdf>

Granum, Inc. introduced Choice Organic Teas in 1989 with three teas from organic Japanese tea gardens. Fifteen years later, they offer more than seventy varieties of Black, Green, Oolong, White teas, and herbal infusions available in tea bags and loose leaf. Choice Organic Teas became the first tea-crafter in the US to Fair Trade certify all qualifying teas. Choice Organic Teas provides exceptional tasting teas with an environmental and social conscience. Visit <http://www.choiceorganicteas.com> for more information.