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Environmental Agency Applauds Efforts By Winter Olympics To Reduce Emissions.

The Climate Neutral Network had high praise for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games, because of the International Olympic Committee and the Salt Lake Olympic Committee's adoption of emission reductions standards and partnerships with the Norm Thompson company and Bonneville Environmental Foundation to facilitate the program. The group certified the Olympics as having achieved a net-zero impact on global warming by cutting more than 60 percent of its emissions from fossil fuel use and using insulation, energy efficiency, and alternative fuel upgrades in schools.

At a press conference announcing the certification, Sen. Ron Wyden said, "By earning the Climate Cool designation, these innovative groups are proving to the world that it's possible, practical and cost-efficient to fight climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions. I applaud their efforts and hope their good example encourages other businesses and organizations to become climate neutral."