

Saving planet wins awards

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INTERFACE, a worldwide leader in the production of environmentally-responsible floor coverings and other textiles, has won the prestigious Sir Peter Parker Award at the Business Commitment to the Environment awards 2006.

The award, presented by Conservative party leader David Cameron, was given to Interface, of Shelf, for its continued efforts to reduce environmental impact.

The award is given annually to the company considered to show best practice in areas such as climate change, air quality, waste management and resource efficiency and this year recognises Interface's pioneering achievements in sustainable business practice.

Presenting the award, David Cameron said: "One of the most effective ways of making our society a better place is to improve the environment. Business is in a strong position to contribute to that change and all the evidence is that more and more companies are accepting that challenge."

Provident Insurance of Halifax was presented with an award for its groundbreaking programme to help improve impact on the environment of companies that supply it with motor parts and services.