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**BALLANTYNE CORPORATE PARK'S EARTH DAY ACTIVITIES  
GENERATE SIGNIFICANT GREEN RESULTS**

**Charlotte, NC** (April 26, 2010) – Ballantyne Corporate Park held its first Earth Day event on Thursday, April 22 at its Brixham Green Tent and partnered with Clean Air Works! to host a gas cap check on Friday, April 23.

At the Earth Day celebration, Cintas shredded 1,171 pounds of paper and eCycle Secure recycled more than 3,300 pounds (1.7 tons) of computers and electronics. Clean Air Works! checked 99 gas caps throughout the Corporate Park and replaced eight gas caps; this effort prevented 1,600 pounds of evaporative emissions from being released into the atmosphere.

“It was great to see participation and interest from The Corporate Park at our first Earth Day event,” said Tom Pizzo, President, Bissell Property Services. “Activities such as this represent our commitment to environmentally friendly initiatives, and we look forward to further developing our efforts throughout the remainder of this year and into 2011.”

Other Earth Day participating organizations included Z730-AM, Chick-fil-A, Rita's, McLeod Farms, Carolina Bicycle Co., General Motors, Courtyard Marriott Ballantyne, Staybridge Suites Ballantyne, Bissell Land Management and Bissell Property Services.

Ballantyne Corporate Park, a 535- acre master planned office and first-class business community in south Charlotte, currently includes over 3 million square feet of Class “A” office space. The Bissell Family of Companies owns and operates Ballantyne Corporate Park, The Ballantyne Hotel & Lodge, Staybridge Suites at Ballantyne, Courtyard Marriott Ballantyne, aloft Charlotte Ballantyne, Dana Rader Golf School and Ballantyne Business Center. For more information on activities in the Ballantyne area, please visit [www.go-ballantyne.com](http://www.go-ballantyne.com). For information on Ballantyne Corporate Park and the Bissell Family of Companies, please visit [www.ballantynecorporate.com](http://www.ballantynecorporate.com).

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