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### **Catering Implements Customer's Idea to Stay Green**

Kathleen Johnson, a UC San Diego employee (and Catering customer) submitted an idea to the BLINK suggestion box, wondering if it was possible to wash and reuse some of the heavy-duty plastic-ware left over from her catering orders; she also requested the ability to return plastic platters, bowls, and serve-ware once the products were finished being used, and suggested the creation of drop-off locations for these products.

Catering loved the idea and decided to implement it immediately!

In addition to reusing what they can, Catering and Dining Services will soon be featuring a full line of compostable foodservice products from Eco-Products Inc., including corn cups, straws, hot cups, cup lids, cutlery, food containers, and other compostable items. They will be available beginning Fall 08 through Catering, or in a Dining Service restaurant near you.

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