

2015 MEDIA KIT



AUDIENCE Connect with landscape contractors & power equipment dealers



Dear Media Buyer,

Thank you for taking the time to read the 2015 media kit for *Green Industry Pros.* In this kit, you will find a variety of mediums – both print and digital – to reach landscape contractors, equipment dealers, and members of the Professional Landcare Network (PLANET). With each medium

comes a return on investment and a way to measure it.

GreenIndustryPros.com and the publication's weekly e-newsletter, *The Pro Report*, offer Responsive Design which automatically adapts content and ads to the visitor's device. Since more and more landscape contractors and equipment dealers are viewing information on mobile devices, this has proven to be an important design for the industry and allows your message to be front and center in the eyes of buyers.

Green Industry Pros provides the latest information on technology, products, and trends for business owners by two of the most experienced editors in the industry: *Gregg Wartgow* and Lisa Danes. Both Wartgow and Danes are full-time editors solely dedicated to the landscape industry and *Green Industry Pros*.

I look forward to serving you soon.

Sincerely, <

Deirdre D'Aniello Publisher

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Content marketing and native advertising are among today's hot business tactics, responding to readers who tune out traditional advertising, but increasingly consume genuine, customerfocused information. Our creative content marketing opportunities position your valuable information so it enhances the editorial content in which it appears. Look for CONTENT MARKETING tags throughout this media kit. Develop the relationship
> > Content marketing & native advertising

Build brand, drive sales
>> Display advertising

YOU NEED BOTH! LET'S CREATE A PLAN.





57,120 unique visitors/month* .173

page views/month* *Google Analytics April-June 2014

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DIGITAL DISPLAY ADS RATES \$1,500 net Leaderboard (970 x 90, 728 x 90, 300 x 50) per month \$1.200 net **Rectangle banner** (300 x 250) per month \$600 net Skyscraper banner (300 x 600) per month

Complete digital technical specs are available on our Marketing Resource Center at GreenIndustryPros.com/advertise

The completely redesigned GreenIndustryPros.com, launched in early 2014, delivers a radically new experience in the B2B world.

Responsive design

Content and ads **automatically** adjust to each user's device - no special apps needed.

Dynamic page loads

Related content is continually delivered as the user scrolls.

Targeted, in-view advertising

Schedule your advertising to reach a specific audience based on our content-specific channels:

Your share of voice is measured only when users see your ad. Your ad is integrated with editorial content, not relegated to the left or right column.

Online display ads & native ads

Display ads grab attention with their high-visibility and branding, while native ads are designed to integrate in the editorial space as "sponsored" content.



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GreenIndustryPros.com PRODUCT GUIDE

Exclusive Category Sponsorship •

The Product Guide provides an online directory of equipment and services for the landscape industry. With an Exclusive Category Sponsorship, only your banners will appear within that category and its subcategories. Inquire on availability of categories and contact the publisher to request a custom proposal.

••••	EXCLUSIVE SPONSORSHIP	SPECS	RATES
	Ad sizes included:		<u>Request proposal</u>
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EMAIL

Send your marketing message to the inboxes of your customers and prospects.

Email blasts

Send a custom e-blast to the demographics of your choice. Demographics include, but are not limited to, dealers, landscape contractors, geographic location, job title, employee size, annual sales volume, equipment sold by dealers, and services performed by landscape contractors. Contact publisher for a custom proposal.

E-newsletter sponsorships OMARKETING

Advertise your message on *The Pro Report*, *Green Industry Pros'* weekly e-newsletter to 40,000+* subscribers. .

E-product showcase

Be one of six highlighted products featured in *Green Industry Pros'* monthly e-blast to 39,000+ subscribers.

Surveys

Send a custom survey to the demographics of your choice. Demographics include, but are not limited to, dealers, landscape contractors, geographic location, job title, employee size, annual sales volume, equipment sold by dealers, and services performed by landscape contractors. Contact publisher for a custom proposal.

*Publisher's own data (Q1 2014)

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Specs / Rates



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Couple your message with editorial written by experienced editors and join in the engagement with 64,195* subscribers.

Meet our Editors – EXPERIENCE MATTERS



Gregg Wartgow, Editor in Chief

- 16+ years covering the green industry for Green Industry Pros, SnowPRO, GreenIndustryPros. com and related print and digital products
- Award-winning writer and podcaster
- Champion for small businesses
- Enjoys helping landscapers find ways to grow their companies

Lisa Danes, Editor

- 7 ½ years on the *Green Industry Pros* staff
- Tight connection with the dealer market and strong knowledge of the landscape market
- Looks for new ways to deliver critical information in formats like the Green Industry Insider video series
- Enjoys hearing the backstory behind independent small businesses and strives to help dealers and contractors continue to prosper

Magazine Options

- Display ads (full-page spread, full-page ad, fractional-page ad)
- Native advertising opportunities
- Cover treatments: Wrap, belly band, false cover, gatefold, barn door, corner snipe, sticky note
- Place your print piece in our magazine's polybag to the demographic audience of your choice
- Custom supplement
- Advertorial

Digital Edition

Display advertisements will appear in the digital edition of *Green Industry Pros* which is e-mailed to 4,195* digital subscribers and 39,000+** print subscribers. The digital edition is also housed on *GreenIndustryPros.com*.

Display Ad Rates

	1X	ЗX	7X
Full Page spread	\$13,600	\$13,000	\$12,500
Full Page	6,820	6,545	6,275
2/3 Page	5,500	5,125	4,750
1/2 Page	4,000	3,700	3,500
1/3 Page	3,000	2,700	2,200
1/4 Page	2,500	2,100	1,835

Color Rates: Four-color process \$1,500 Premium Positions: Contact publisher



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*BPA Brand Report June 2014 (preliminary)

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	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH/APRIL	MAY/JUNE	JULY/AUGUST	OCTOBER	DECEMBER
Ad Close	12-9-2014	1-12-2015	3-10-2015	5-7-2015	7-8-2015	9-8-2015	11-5-2015
Materials Due	12-12-2014	1-15-2015	3-13-2015	5-12-2015	7-13-2015	9-11-2015	11-10-2015
Special Coverage	Truck & Trailers Engines	Lawn Care Product Guide	Irrigation Product Guide Attachments	Outdoor Living Product Showcase Equipment Service & Parts	Technology Franchising	GIE+EXPO Preview	Annual Listing of Hidden Gems in the Green Industry
Construction & Installation Equipment	Track loaders	Mini excavators Tillers	Skid-steer loaders Trenchers	Mini loaders	Tractors	Compact wheel loaders	GIE+EXPO highlights
Maintenance Equipment	Riding mowers String trimmers Sprayers Backpack blowers	Walk mowers Hedgetrimmers Spreaders Handheld blowers	Stand-on mowers Edgers Wheeled blowers	Lawn renovation	Debris-handling	Tree care & wood-handling Brush cutters	GIE+EXPO highlights
In Every Issue What's On My Trailer: Contractors discuss which equipment and products are helping them get the job done In Every Issue Green Industry Insider: The latest industry news and trends Business Management Toolbox: Business tips for small-business owners Contractor Profile: A look at how a leading landscape company is thriving in today's market Dealer Profile: Market insights from a leading equipment dealer Supplier Spotlight: News and insights from a leading equipment or product manufacturer							
Supplements		Dealer Success Guide		Dealer Success Guide	SNOW PRO	SNOWPRO Dealer Success Guide	



PRELIMINARY EDITORIAL CALENDAR: Dates and topics are subject to change without notice.



Dealer Success Guide

The **Dealer Success Guide** is a unique business management guide for owners and managers of landscape equipment dealerships. Published three times annually, this supplement mails with *Green Industry Pros* to its 9,600+ BPA audited dealer audience. The **Dealer Success Guide** is also available in a digital edition.



Ad Sizes / Specifications

	LIVE AREA	BLEED	TRIM
Full Page Spread	14.75" x 10.25"	16" x 11"	15.75" x 10.75
Full Page	7.375" x 10.25"	8.125" x 11"	7.875" x 10.75
2/3 Page	4.5625" x 10"		
1/2 Page Horiz.	7" x 4.875"		
1/2 Page Vert.	3.375" x 10"		
1/3 Page Std	4.5625" x 4.875"		
1/4 Page	3.375" x 4.875"		

Rates available for advertising in the **Dealer Success Guide** as well as in combination with a print schedule in *Green Industry Pros.* Contact publisher for details.

How to create your files:

PDF X/1a is the preferred format for file submission.

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Ads should be created to correct ad size dimensions, including bleed.

Send materials to:

SnowPRO, Connie Wolf, MPR 1233 Janesville Avenue, Fort Atkinson, WI 53538 800-547-7377 x1679 • <u>Connie.Wolf@Cygnus.com</u>

FTP: (If files are larger than 10MB) <u>http://webftp.cygnuspub.com</u>

Ad close dates:

February: January 12

May/June: May 5

September/October: September 8

For more info, contact:

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SNOWPRO.

Selling snow removal equipment and services?

- Your ad in SnowPRO reaches the right audience at the right time ... **THE BUYING TIME.**
- Published twice each year, SnowPRO mails with the July/August and September/ October issues of *Green Industry Pros* magazine, targeting professionals in the snowbelt states. Your marketing message appears with SnowPRO's coverage of the latest equipment, accessories, tools and insights for the snow removal market.



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	LIVE AREA	BLEED	TRIM
Full Page Spread	14.25" x 10.25"	15" x 11"	14.75" x 10.75"
Full Page	7.125" x 10.25"	7.625" x 11"	7.375" x 10.75"
1/2 Page Horiz.	7" x 4.875"		
1/2 Page Vert.	3.375" x 10"		
1/3 Page Std	4.5625" x 4.875"		
1/4 Page	3.375" x 4.875"		
1/6 Page	2.1875" x 4.875"		

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Issue 1: July 2 – materials due July 13 Issue 2: September 2 – materials due September 11

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Leverage our lead generation products to fill your prospect funnel.

Commissioned Special Report OMARKETING

Drive brand awareness and lead generation with a single-topic, single-sponsored report delivered to your selected audience. Our editorial team will develop the content to pair with your marketing message.

Product Guide Sponsorship See page 5

Custom: Content, newsletter, O CONTENT publication, e-book

Need custom content and design? How about distribution to the right audience? Partner with our editorial team, design staff and database experts.

Custom Mobile App

Ask us to create a mobile app for your product catalog, video library or jobsite calculator.

Emails See page 6

E-product and e-video Showcase See page 6

Survey Distribution See page 6

Trade Show/Event Marketing

Drive traffic to your trade show booth or event and create lasting impressions. Here are a few options:

- Pre-, during- and post-show promotions
- Booth or demonstration video
- iPad app sponsorship
- Online advertising
- Show e-newsletter sponsorship
- Advertisements on the web event page and event product showcase

Video Production

Our professional team will videotape your booth, equipment and speaker during a trade show or event and create a feature video for sales calls, presentations, your corporate website, training and other uses. Need an onair personality? Bring in one of our talented editors to pull it all together. We'll air your production on GreenIndustryPros.com.

ActionCam Video: Use this video option for on-the-spot, first-person video interviews, product walk-arounds and expert commentary.

Webinars

Generate qualified leads for your company by sponsoring a live/on-demand educational presentation via the Internet. You get the entire lead list, as well as significant promotion before, during and after the webinar.

White Papers O MARKETING

Educate current and potential customers about your capabilities and technology. Housed in our online White Paper Library, the documents are available for download, generating contact information that's sent directly to you. Add a promotional component to drive more traffic.

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TRACKtion Leads

Combine direct marketing with social media and primary research to generate highly qualified leads that convert into sales.

With TRACKtion Leads you can:

- Grow your customer base and generate leads
- Enhance print and digital campaigns
- Use social networks to extend your campaign and reach a new audience
- Launch promotions and sweepstakes
- Gain customer insights through short surveys and polling questions
- Follow the results through real-time tracking across multiple marketing channels

Program sample components

- 20,000 names from our database or yours or a combination of both
- 20,000 PURLs (personalized URL links)
- Custom landing page
- Three e-blasts within a 6 8 week period
- Real-time tracking reports on demand
- Customer intelligence up to 5 survey questions on the initial registration page
- Back-end support and administration from Cygnus
- Client-provided incentives for customers to register and forward to others

Additional email names and PURLs can be purchased or supplied for an additional .25 per name.

Basic program does not include a print component for TRACKtion Leads. Print options may be added to the program.



RESULTS DELIVERED

Engagement Report

The only tool of its kind, the Engagement Report measures the effectiveness of your communication strategies.

Your Engagement Report measures the exposure and consumption of your messaging – including news articles, press releases, blogs, videos, product listings, webinars, white papers – on our digital platforms.

Your customized Engagement Report measures:

- Your exposure versus your competitors'
- Engagement by market segments and titles
- The volume of your outbound communications

You will learn:

- How you stack up against the competition
- How well your marketing strategy is performing
- Insights into what the market finds interesting and acts upon
- What content increases engagement and sales



Report sections include:

Content Overview and Share

An overview of your website traffic and content share, compared to companies like you.

Content Effectiveness

An overview of how your content is consumed, and which content is most effective, compared to companies like you.

Categories and Channels

A view of how your content is categorized, and in which platforms it appears.

Audience Overview

A look at the audience viewing your content, compared to companies like you.

Leads and Investment

Analysis of your product investment compared to companies like you.

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We offer numerous reporting tools to help you evaluate effectiveness and hone your campaign.

Email Open/Click Rates

Third-party report details the number of emails delivered, open rate and click rate.

Email Heat Maps

See which hyperlinks recipients clicked and use the information to improve your message and email design.

Google Analytics

Receive website user statistics, including sessions, new users, pageviews, average session duration, pages per session, bounce rate, video visits, mobile and more.

Lead Report - Print, Digital, Online

Throughout the year, we send you leads from the Product Guide, webinars you sponsor, white papers, and other programs that require registration. While you receive the leads immediately via email, we also can provide a summary lead report.

Editorial Coverage

When applicable, we provide you with a list of editorial coverage that included your company or brands.

Web Ad Impressions/Click Rate

The number of impressions your ad received and click rate.

Custom Reports

We can create custom advertising reports based on your advertising program.

Data Dashboard

Green Industry Pros provides print advertisers with leads generated from Reader Service and all advertisers with leads generated from GreenIndustryPros.com's Product Guide.

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How to get your files to us:

E-mail – File(s) must not exceed 10 MB in size:

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Cygnus Business Media will not be held responsible, nor issue any make-goods, for electronic ads that do not follow these guidelines.

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Contract and copy conditions

Advertisements are accepted upon the representation that the advertiser and its agency have the right to publish the content. Advertisers and agencies agree to indemnify, defend and save harmless the publisher from any and all liability for content of published advertisements whether in print or in electronic format. Publisher reserves the right to refuse any advertisement.

Terms and commissions

Net 30 days. 15% of gross paid to recognized advertising agencies on space, color and position provided account is paid in full within 30 days of invoice date. Publisher reserves the right to hold the advertiser and/or its advertising agency jointly and separately responsible for such monies as are due and payable to the publisher. Publisher will not be bound by conditions, printed or otherwise, appearing in ad orders or copy instructions when such conditions conflict with Publisher's stated policies.

Contract cancellation

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Advertising canceled after closing date will be charged at earned rate to the advertiser with an additional fee of up to \$500 for remake of the page. Publisher will not be bound by conditions, printed or otherwise, appearing in ad order or copy instructions when such conditions conflict with Publisher's stated policies. Advertisers that fail to achieve contracted number of insertions within the year will be short rated to the applicable frequency on rate card.

Protective clauses

Rates subject to change without notice. Advertiser and advertising agency assume liability for all content of advertisements printed and also assume responsibility for any claims made against the Publisher. The Publisher reserves the right to reject any advertising that it feels is not in keeping with publication standards, policies and practices.

Inserts

Contact the media production rep for specifications.

Covers and special position requests

Guaranteed position is available for an additional charge. Back cover (4) is an additional charge of 25%. Covers 2 and 3 are an additional charge of 20% of earned rate. All other guaranteed positions will incur a 15% surcharge. We will not be bound by conditions or terms appearing in ad order when such conditions conflict with our stated policies.

Classified ad regulations

Classified advertising may not be used for new products or services normally found in display advertising or extensive product or service descriptions (i.e. features, values, styles) that are the function of display ads. The publisher retains the right to reject, delete or re-word copy that does not meet the above regulations.



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Contact us today for an entirely new experience in business-to-business marketing planning.

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Vice President, Marketing Gerry.Whitty@Cygnus.com Ext. 1725 As one of America's top business-to-business media companies, Cygnus Business Media is leading the way in providing marketing solutions and targeted content to top decision-makers and organizations. We reach millions of professionals annually across FIVE MEDIA PLATFORMS. Our corporate initiatives and organizational architecture are built with one goal: fully engaging business audiences in the markets we serve.

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