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## Wal-Mart to measure energy used

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Retailer Wal-Mart Stores Inc. said Monday it will partner with a nonprofit climate group to measure the amount of energy used to create products throughout its supply chain.

Wal-Mart said it would work with the group, called the Carbon Disclosure Project, to determine the environmental impact of making DVDs, toothpaste, soap, milk, beer, vacuum cleaners and soda.

Wal-Mart said it chose those seven product categories since they were "ordinary products that customers commonly use."

The retailer said after recording the measurements, it would then initiate a pilot with a group of suppliers to look for ways to make the process of creating those products more energy-efficient.

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