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Coastal Construction Group Partners with U.S. Green Building Council South Florida Chapter's GalaVerde

Boca Raton, FL (July 26, 2011) -- The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) South Florida Chapter announced that Miami-based Coastal Construction Group has secured the Title Sponsor position for the nonprofit organization's annual GalaVerde: The 2011 LEEDership and Green Awards Program.

Presented by Coastal Construction Group, GalaVerde will recognize and honor those outstanding projects, inspirational businesses, dedicated individuals, and instrumental Chapter members who are LEEDing the way to a more sustainably built environment in our South Florida community. More than 450 attendees are expected to attend the awards ceremony on August 27 at the Signature Grand in Davie, Florida. The evening will raise monies to support the nonprofit organization's educational initiatives, and will include music, a comedian, a silent auction ... and an abundance of nervous anticipation, fun and superlative networking.

The Honorable Manny Diaz will be the keynote speaker of the evening. Diaz, former Mayor of the City of Miami and a longstanding champion of sustainability and green building, will highlight an evening of recognition and appreciation for the South Florida green-building community, during which the Chapter will also recognize the year's Outstanding Community LEEDer, Green Business, Green Municipality/Government, and Green Elected Official in South Florida.

The Chapter will also recognize achievement in seven categories of LEED -- New Construction, Commercial Interiors, Core and Shell, Existing Buildings, LEED for Schools, LEED Multi-Family, and LEED for Homes / Single-Family. The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System, overseen by the U.S. Green Building Council in Washington, DC, is a voluntary, consensus-based national rating system for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings. LEED addresses all building types and emphasizes state-of-the-art "green" strategies in five areas: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials and resources selection, and indoor environmental quality. LEED Accredited Professionals (LEED APs) have demonstrated a thorough understanding of green building techniques and the LEED Green Building Rating System.

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"We are extremely excited and honored that Coastal Construction has stepped up to support our GalaVerde evening," states Kyle Abney, Chair of GalaVerde 2011. "Coastal Construction has been a leader in their own right in promoting sustainable building, and this is a union of businesses that underscores our collective focus and energies to transform the way buildings and communities are designed, built and operated, enabling an environmentally and socially responsible, healthy and prosperous environment that will improve the quality of life of our South Florida communities."

Tom Murphy Jr., chairman and CEO of Coastal Construction Group, recognizes that the quality of the environment, the community, and the vitality of its business are all interconnected. "We're proud to partner with the USGBC South Florida Chapter," states Murphy. "At Coastal, we believe in giving back to our community, and working hard to build and nurture lasting relationships is critically important to us."

Construction has been a Murphy family calling for four generations. Tom Murphy Jr. founded Coastal in 1988. His grandfather was an immigrant carpenter with a passion for quality that has been instilled in the Murphy family and has driven Coastal since its inception. Today, Coastal Construction is ranked among the top 10 construction management companies in the Southeast Region. With a distinguished roster of public and private clients, the award-winning Coastal Construction Group operates primarily in Florida and is focused on nine primary areas of expertise: commercial, hospitality, education, residential, mixed-use, interiors, worship, historic restoration, and disaster recovery. The company has delivered several world-class facilities to South Florida, including 1450 Brickell, Barcardi Headquarters, Compson Place, Interval International, and Camillus House.

To learn more about Coastal Construction Group, call 305-559-4900, or visit www.coastalconstruction.com.

To learn more about GalaVerde and the USGBC South Florida Chapter, visit www.usgbc.org/galaverde2011.

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Samples below, left to right: Coastal's Thomas P. Murphy Jr. (CEO); Thomas C. Murphy (EVP); and logo.



The U.S. Green Building Council South Florida Chapter, a nonprofit (501[c][3]) organization, embraces the adoption of innovative building practices that conserve land, energy, water, resources and materials. Its mission is to transform the way buildings and communities are designed, built and operated, enabling an environmentally and socially responsible, healthy and prosperous environment that improves the quality of life. Headquartered on the campus of Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Florida, the volunteer-governed Chapter has more than 1,000 passionate members and 4,000 friends providing educational programs and services to the South Florida community from its Treasure Coast, Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Keys Branches. To learn more: Lee Cooke, Executive Director, 561-373-7367, lcooke@usgbcfsf.org, www.usgbcfsf.org.