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News Release

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U.S. Green Building Council South Florida Chapter Announces Final Nominees for GalaVerde Awards

Lake Worth, FL (August 2, 2010) -- The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) South Florida Chapter has announced the Final Nominees for the nonprofit organization's upcoming GalaVerde: The 2010 LEEDership and Green Awards Program.

Presented by Bank of America, GalaVerde will recognize and honor those outstanding projects, inspirational businesses, dedicated individuals, and instrumental Chapter members who are LEEDing the way to a more sustainable built environment in our South Florida community. More than 300 attendees are expected to attend the awards ceremony on August 28 at the Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six Resort in Fort Lauderdale. Final Nominees are as follows:

Outstanding LEED NC Project (Sponsored by Anderson-Moore Construction)

- Melvin J. and Claire Levine Complex at the Palm Beach Zoo
- One Harvard Circle - Suffolk SE Regional Headquarters
- Republic Services Corporate Headquarters
- Seagate Hotel and Spa
- Tallman Pines
- Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies

Outstanding LEED CI Project (Sponsored by HAWORTH)

- HOK Miami Office
- Perkins + Will Miami Office
- SEQUIL Systems, Inc. Office

Outstanding LEED CS Project (Sponsorship Still Available)

- 1450 Brickell
- EcoPlex
- Lake Shore Plaza II
- Lynn Financial Center
- The Promenade at Coconut Creek

Outstanding LEED EB Project (Sponsored by FPL)

- 300 Las Olas Place
- 355 Alhambra
- Wachovia Financial Center

Outstanding LEED for Homes Project (Sponsored by E3 Building Sciences)

- Boana-Lowenstein Residence
- HGTV 2009 Green Home
- US Coast Guard Station's Florida Keys Housing Project

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Outstanding LEED for Schools Project (Sponsored by Coastal Construction)

- Moabury Early Years Learning Center at St. Andrews School
- Pine Crest Preparatory School, Lower Classroom Building

Outstanding Community LEEDer (Sponsored by Advanced Green Technologies)

- Dr. Terry Maple
- Joseph Sanches

Outstanding Green Business (Sponsored by GSD Contracting)

- Alterna Corp.
- Dream in Green
- Pirtle Construction
- The Spinnaker Group

Outstanding Green Government

- City of Miami
- City of Miramar
- Miami-Dade County
- St. Lucie County

Outstanding Green Elected Official

- Commissioner Doug Coward (St. Lucie County)
- Commissioner Marc Sarnoff (City of Miami)
- Commissioner Natacha Seijas (Miami-Dade County)
- Mayor Paul Vrooman (Cutler Bay)

Rick Fedrizzi, CEO and Founding Chair of the U.S. Green Building Council, will highlight this evening of recognition and appreciation for the South Florida green-building community as the event's keynote speaker.

The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System, overseen by the U.S. Green Building Council, 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.

In addition to Bank of America as GalaVerde's Presenting Sponsor, other sponsors include Trane South Florida; Calvin Giordano & Associates; Advanced Green Technologies; Coastal Construction; E3 Building Sciences; Florida Power & Light; Anderson-Moore Construction Company; GSD Contracting; Haworth; Tesla; Southeastern Printing Company; iQuest Productions; NextEra Energy Resources; and the Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six Resort.

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

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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 in Lake Worth, Florida, the volunteer-governed Chapter has more than 1,000 passionate members and 3,000 friends providing educational programs and services to the South Florida community from its Broward, Miami-Dade and the Keys, Treasure Coast and Palm Beach Branches. To learn more: Lee Cooke, Executive Director, 561-373-7367, lcooke@usgbc.org, www.usgbc.org.