

# MACTEC AND WEEKS ROBINSON CELEBRATE KENNESAW OFFICE'S SUSTAINABILITY

Energy Star is Important Step Toward LEED Certification for Global Firm's Town Point Location

Kennesaw, Ga. (Aug. 6) MACTEC – a Georgia-based engineering, environmental, and construction firm – announced today that its Kennesaw, Ga. location has been awarded Energy Star certification. The global firm collaborated on this step toward LEED certification with Weeks Robinson Development and Management, which manages Town Point, the buildings in which MACTEC's offices are located near the Kennesaw State University campus at Chastain Road and Interstate 75.

“Achieving Energy Star status is a step in the right direction and a visible sign that we are walking the sustainability walk,” said MACTEC President and CEO Ann Massey. “We want to exemplify sustainable practices within our organization and through our service to clients.”

The MACTEC Kennesaw office rated 89 out of 100 on the EPA's grading scale for Energy Star certification. Buildings achieving a rating of 75 or higher and professionally verified to meet current indoor environment standards are eligible for Energy Star. MACTEC Corporate Director of Sustainability Sarah Hansen said the firm worked side-by-side with Weeks Robinson to:

- Apply Energy Star standards in selecting green cleaning materials, carpeting and lighting during renovations;
- Conduct an energy audit resulting in improved ongoing maintenance of the HVAC rooftop units reducing spending on power by approximately 10 percent;
- Reduce water consumption as much as 75 percent with new faucets and commodes;
- Implement changes in waste disposal, recycling, and a Green Pesticide Program; and
- Implement internal awareness campaigns, including appointing green liaisons to identify efficiency opportunities and educate employees.

“The effort doesn't end here,” said MACTEC Southeast Area Manager Dave Goershel. “Next we'll earn LEED certification, demonstrating to our clients that this can be cost effective and efficient for the business while benefitting our employees and community.”

Goershel credited Weeks Robinson for its collaboration in the process, noting that without an engaged partner in the building's owner, progress on sustainability is impossible.

Forrest Robinson, CEO of Weeks Robinson Development and Management added, “We are pleased to collaborate with MACTEC in working towards LEED certification and in reaching our first milestone with the Energy Star certification.”

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