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LEED NC Gold for LHB Designed Residence Hall

Minneapolis, Minn. (August 9, 2010) – Cassat and Memorial Halls at Carleton College in Northfield, MN are the first residence halls in the state to achieve LEED for New Construction Gold Certification from the U.S. Green Building Council. LHB provided planning, design, and LEED consulting services for the 90,000 SF project, seamlessly integrating sustainable features into the two buildings that house 230 students.

Energy efficient features include building envelopes constructed of insulated concrete forms, a radiant in-floor heating system, a solar thermal hot water system, photovoltaic panels, and real-time energy and water usage monitoring. The design team conserved resources by specifying regionally manufactured materials with recycled content, using high volume fly ash in all concrete, selecting low-flow plumbing fixtures, and requiring that over 95% of construction waste be diverted from landfills. A high indoor environmental quality is achieved by radon mitigation systems in each building, materials with low-emitting volatile organic compounds, and natural daylighting and views in all rooms.

“Throughout the design and construction process for our two new residence halls, LHB has provided exceptional client service to meet the residential life, sustainability, and budgetary goals of Carleton College,” said Steve Wisener, Carleton’s Director of Residential Life. “The architects clearly understand the student residential life experience and were able to transfer their knowledge into a design that will meet both the private and social needs of the students.”

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