

Seattle Office, Medical and Biotech Lease Specialist with Coast | Sperry Van Ness is Designated LEED AP

CCIM and LEED AP designations are two of the highest bars set in the commercial real estate industry. Developers and re-developers of LEED certified commercial buildings are creating some of the most high performance buildings in the world. Patrick Schenck at Seattle firm Coast | Sperry Van Ness has recently been designated a LEED AP.

January 9, 2009 (FPRC) -- Seattle, WA. Patrick Schenck, a senior advisor with the commercial real estate services firm Coast| Sperry Van Ness, has recently been certified as a LEED AP (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional) by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). Schenck is one of the only commercial real estate professionals in Washington State with this designation.

The LEED rating is a measurement system administered by the USGBC . This system is the nationally recognized benchmark for design, construction and operation of high-performance green buildings. LEED gives building owners and operators the tools they need to have an immediate and measurable impact on their buildings'™ performance through a whole-building approach to sustainability.

Local firm Coast | Sperry Van Ness has recognized the growth of green building and sustainable development projects in recent years, and they have committed to supporting this industry through education and counsel.

As a LEED AP, Schenck will be able to assist client companies by working with their design teams of architects and engineers on the LEED certification process. Principles of site selection and community connectivity are a primary focus of any LEED project, and a knowledgeable commercial brokerage brings valuable resources and methods to assist that effort. As well, future operations management and leasing of these high performance buildings is best implemented by a professional firm who is familiar with the specific goals of each building design.

By their nature, LEED projects require intensive forethought and planning, and it is crucial that the goals of the project are understood from top to bottom. Design teams benefit from the local knowledge and background an established real estate firm can provide. Schenck explains, 'While much of the LEED process is a new implementation of building science and performance, it's™ also clear that many of the issues along the way have been considerations in commercial real estate for many years. If we can use our local background and expertise to help steer a development through the bumps in the real estate road, everyone wins'.

Clients can expect to be well served by the Coast | Sperry Van Ness team of commercial real estate advisors, who maintain specialists in every property type. Founded locally in 1987, today the COAST brand companies exist as the strongest integrated commercial real estate company in the Pacific Northwest, with personnel to handle commercial brokerage & leasing, property management, private equity investments, and facilities services.

For additional information, please visit the Coast | Sperry Van Ness website at www.coastsvn.com

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