

KTGY Principal Mike Flynn to Participate as Moderator and Panelist at ICSC's Global Retail Real Estate Convention in Las Vegas

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April 30, 2010 (FPRC) -- IRVINE, CALIF. - Award-winning KTGY Group, Inc., Architecture and Planning, is pleased to announce that Mike Flynn, a principal and LEED AP, has been invited to participate as the moderator and panelist at the International Council of Shopping Centers' (ICSC) annual RECON, The Global Retail Real Estate Convention held from May 23-25, 2010, in Las Vegas, NV. Flynn's panel, which will be presented on Monday, May 24, at 2:30 p.m., will focus on green building and is entitled, "Corporate Retailer to Boutique Retailer – What Has Worked, What Hasn't Worked, and Where Do We Go From Here?"

Panelists for the session will also include: Paul Loubet, president of Dreyfus Real Estate; Barry Giles, CEO and LEED facility emeritus for Building Wise, LLC; and Doug Wiele, a founding partner of Foothill Partners, Inc. "Our session will discuss the goals and reasons for sustainable building, the risks, how we measure sustainability, and the design approaches and systems that have proved to be cost effective sustainable solutions," says Flynn. "We will also discuss why retail has historically lagged behind the corporate office market in adopting sustainability as an important building and design component and how future green legislation can impact retailers."

According to Pacific Gas & Electric's Food Service Technology Center (FSTC), Restaurants are the retail world's largest energy user. They use almost five times more energy per square foot than any other type of commercial building. "Electrical utilities are likely to increase peak demand rates, and to expand incentive programs for owners who have energy-efficient facilities," notes Flynn.

"Many people think that only new buildings can be green but there is quite a lot that can be done to improve an existing building's or shopping center's energy efficiency without incurring a major expense, whether LEED certification is desired or not. However, if you're building today without LEED, you're building in obsolescence. Companies need to be very smart about how they go green so that the money as well as energy is used efficiently," Flynn says.

With 40 years of experience, Flynn serves as a leader guiding the design and implementation of a wide variety of high profile commercial, mixed-use, retail, entertainment and resort projects throughout the United States and overseas. Keeping him in the forefront of the industry is his notable understanding and comprehensive experience with the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building and the Build-it-Green rating programs, including the latest products and cutting-edge technologies in sustainability/green building practices. Flynn's proficient management skills and background provide KTGY and its clientele superb quality in design and final product. Prior to joining KTGY, Flynn served as senior

vice president/director of commercial, retail and entertainment projects for a national firm with 1,600 employees in the United States.

Flynn is a licensed architect in the following states: California, Arizona, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Kansas, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah and Virginia. He holds a National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) Certificate and is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certified Professional. He is also a member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), Urban Land Institute (ULI) and U.S. Green Building Council. Flynn received his Bachelor of Architecture degree from California State Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo.

About ICSC

Founded in 1957, the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) is the global trade association of the shopping center industry. Its 60,000 members in the U.S., Canada and more than 80 other countries include shopping center owners, developers, managers, marketing specialists, investors, lenders, retailers and other professionals as well as academics and public officials. As the global industry trade association, ICSC links with more than 25 national and regional shopping center councils throughout the world. Visit www.ICSC.org for more information.

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