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Green Building Council Announces: LEED EB:O&M

CANADIAN GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL ANNOUNCES NEW LEED EB: O&M - At the second annual National Green Building Summit today, the Canada Green Building Council (CaGBC) announced details of the **LEED Canada for Existing Buildings: Operations and Maintenance 2009 (LEED Canada EB:O&M)** program.

Available in August, this new rating system provides ongoing certification on the performance, operations and maintenance of commercial, government and institutional buildings that have either never been LEED certified or that have been certified under other LEED programs such as LEED Canada for New Construction and Major Renovations. Business tools are scheduled to be available on the website Tuesday, August 4, 2009.

"Examining actual performance and not design expectations, LEED Canada EB:O&M 2009 recognizes the ongoing efforts of building owners and managers to continually improve the performance of their buildings," said Thomas Mueller, President and CEO of the CaGBC. "It also provides those operators with the opportunity to demonstrate to their tenants, occupants and the wider community, their on-going commitment to green buildings."

The new rating system considers the building as a whole, accounting for both common and tenanted areas. It looks at building exteriors as well as site maintenance programs, the optimized use of water and energy, the commitment to purchasing environmentally-preferred products and food, waste management and recycling programs and continual indoor environmental air quality.

In addition to ongoing maintenance and performance, LEED Canada EB:O&M can be used for alterations and additions to a building, provided they are applied to no more than 50 percent of the total building floor area and do not require more than 50 percent of building occupants to be relocated. For buildings that exceed 50 percent in both areas, LEED Canada for New Construction and Major Renovations applies.

For more information visit www.cagbc.org.

Infrastructure Canada Update - July 2009

INFRASTRUCTURE CANADA UPDATE - At the request of Infrastructure Canada, the Canadian Construction Association (CCA) and Infrastructure Minister John Baird have jointly released an update on the Government of Canada's infrastructure stimulus funding program. Included in that report is confirmation that the Federal Government will not "claw-back" funding on late projects under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund and that once projects are announced as approved by the Federal Government this means that all federal approvals and environmental assessments are complete and project work can begin as soon as the province or territory has signed off.

Under its Economic Action Plan, the Government is accelerating and expanding federal investments in infrastructure with almost \$12 billion in new infrastructure stimulus funding over two years. This is in addition to earlier commitments of \$33 billion through to 2014.

The role of the construction industry is paramount in ensuring the success of this stimulus plan and the sector well knows the long-term importance of modern infrastructure. To date, the Government of Canada has committed approximately \$2.8 billion of the \$4-billion Infrastructure Stimulus Fund, and more than 1700 projects have federal approval to start work.

[Click here](#) to read the entire update.

Special Service Contractor Session - San Francisco

GREEN MEANS BUSINESS SERVICE SEMINAR - At this years [2009 MCAC Annual National Conference](#) there will be a special session on "*Green Means Business*" specifically for service contractors.

Presented on Tuesday, September 29th from 10:45_{am} - 12:15_{pm} at the Mariott San Francisco, your sessoin leader will be Mr. Russell Borst, Vice President, Service Department of Hurst Mechanical and Immediate Past Chairman of the Mechanical Service Contractors of America.

During this presentation, Mr. Borst will review the wide range of opportunities now available to contractors to enhance their "green" offerings including green preventative maintenance, energy audits and benchmarking, retro-commissioning, life cycle selling and payback analysis, enhanced metering and controls, LEED expertise, alternative energy solutions and more.

To find our how you can take advantage of this seminar visit the Conference Information Page on the MCAC website at <http://www.mcac.ca/conference1.php>.

Welcome New MSCC Members

WELCOME TO NEW MSCC MEMBERS - The Mechanical Service Contractors of Canada continues to grow and is very please to welcome the following new members...

Sutherland - Shultz Inc., Cambridge, ON.

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Stevens Plumbing & Heating Ltd., North Vancouver, BC.

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MSCC SUPPORTS EDUCATION FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER - Each year, the Canadian Mechanical Contracting Education Foundation (CMCEF) hosts a Golf Tournament to raise funds for the Foundations operations and valued projects. This years event was held on a magnificent July afternoon at the Grey Silo Golf Club in Waterloo, Ontario. By the end of the day, there were many winners, but none more than the Education Foundation as it raised more than \$20,000.

MSCC participated for the first time, sponsoring the two Longest Drive contests. Our congratulations go to the following "big hitters":

Long Drive Hole # 4 - *John Lennartz, Comstock Canada*

Long Drive Hole #13 - *Darcy Roy, Fairview Fittings & Manufacturing*

The winning foursome played an excellent game shooting 11 under par. The winners were:

Winning Foursome: *John Telford, Chris Riel, John Bonwick, and Neil McCormick.*

Thanks to CMCEF for a tremendous day and to everyone who participated in making the fundraiser such a great success. For more information on CMCEF visit the website at www.cmcef.org.

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