
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**Ross & Baruzzini Project Achieves LEED Gold**

Saint Louis, MO – May 24, 2011 –Ross & Baruzzini, a globally recognized engineering, design and consulting firm, is pleased to announce that one of the firm’s premiere projects, the BJC Institute of Health at Washington University, has officially been certified as LEED Gold. The BJC Institute of Health at Washington University is a 680,000sf, 11-story state-of-the art biomedical research facility that houses critical research laboratories designed to be highly flexible, so as to promote collaborative research between multiple disciplines/departments and adapt to changing technologies. The building also contains BSL-3 labs and a 30,000sf vivarium with ABSL-3 lab. Ross & Baruzzini provided mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire protection, IT, security, and communication system design services for this project. Cannon Design was the architect.

Some of the sustainable design features of the building include a highly optimized chiller plant that incorporates a heat recovery chiller, ventilation and exhaust air reduction through the use of occupancy sensors, CO2 sensors, low-flow fume hoods, and local recirculating air-handling units, daylighting controls, exhaust air heat recovery, low-flow plumbing fixtures, and a thermally optimized building envelope. This same project has been presented with the 2010 Keystone Project of the Year award for Building Construction projects over \$60 million, the 2010 SLCCC Best Practices Award, and the 2011 ASHRAE Technology 1st Place Award -Institutional Category for exceptional energy-conscious design.

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