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MCKENNEY'S WINS "BEYOND LEED" CATEGORY AT FIRST-EVER LEED SHOWCASE AWARDS

Atlanta-based mechanical contractor awarded for its dedication to the environment

Atlanta, GA — April 6, 2011 — McKenney's, a prominent mechanical contracting and engineering firm throughout the Southeast for more than 60 years, was recently awarded the LEED Showcase Award in the "Beyond LEED" category by the Atlanta Business Chronicle (ABC). It marked the first time that ABC — in a partnership with the U.S. Green Building Council — has recognized companies for best-in-LEED and environmentally friendly projects.

"We are proud of our efforts to impact the environment in a positive way," said John McKenney, president and CEO of McKenney's. "We're honored to be recognized for our sustainable design expertise and valuable insights that we share with clients exploring green building practices. Going green is part of our values and an important part of our commitment to every customer. It helps define us as a company."

According to the ABC, the award showcases companies, organizations and individuals that are doing innovative work that stretches beyond the current borders of LEED certification to create sustainable initiatives, renewable energy concepts and environmentally sound practices. McKenney's impressive portfolio of design and build services focused on environmental stewardship helped the company earn the prestigious award.

During the construction of its eco-friendly, LEED Gold-certified corporate headquarters, McKenney's remediated an EPA-classified brownfield site to remove underground petroleum tanks and contaminated soil and added an impervious surface to the area. Seven bio-retention ponds were also added to collect and filter storm water. Other initiatives included a rooftop rainwater harvesting system and electricity-producing solar photovoltaic panels directly connected to the facility's electrical distribution system.



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In addition, McKenney's support has helped many organizations achieve LEED certification for a wide range of building types, including commercial, institutional and government facilities. Since the company's first LEED-certified project — the Cecil B. Day Butterfly Center mechanical systems at Callaway Gardens — in 2004, the company has made a concerted commitment to environmental stewardship through unique design/build, design/assist and building information modeling (BIM) services.

"We strive to do the right thing," said McKenney. "Whether we are communicating with our customers, employees or the community, we feel a responsibility to integrate sustainable, environmentally friendly initiatives. We also practice what we preach. It's the only way to help our customers achieve their goals of energy efficiency."

The LEED Showcase Awards were presented at Atlanta Business Chronicle's Atlanta Environmental Awards gathering at the Georgia Aquarium on March 25. The Awards are part of the premier environmental event of the year for the Atlanta business community. It highlights companies and individuals that are working to conserve metro Atlanta's natural resources, curb pollution and support the environment.

About McKenney's

As the Southeast's most trusted name in mechanical contracting and engineering, McKenney's offers a complete cycle of services for heating, ventilation, building automation and control, air conditioning, process piping, plumbing, and 24/7 service and support. For more than 60 years our proven approach has ensured high-quality, energy-efficient solutions at every stage of a building's life cycle. In-house capabilities — including engineering, fabrication, construction, automation and control solutions, building commissioning, retro-commissioning and service and maintenance — give us firm control over the quality, timing and energy efficiency savings of every project. Our team of nearly 50 LEED® Accredited Professionals offer proven design expertise and provide valuable insights for clients exploring green building practices.

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