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## Murphy Company Achieves LEED Certification on Corporate Headquarters

ST. LOUIS – Murphy Company, one of the nation’s largest mechanical contractors, has received LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification for its St. Louis corporate headquarters from the U.S. Green Building Council. Anne Hill, vice president, corporate development, made the announcement, crediting an employee committee for its multi-year effort to gain certification for the 57,155-square-foot two-level facility which was built in 2000.

“We like to practice what we preach,” said Hill, who heads up Murphy Company’s Energy Solutions division. “We’ve always been highly sensitive to energy savings for our clients and for our own facilities , but now we’ve enhanced our human resource functions and daily activities within and outside our buildings to continue to set an example for our team members, construction partners, vendors and clients.”

An employee committee, led by Joe Krewson, PE, LEED AP, developed and implemented the plan, which included modifications to the building’s mechanical systems. Murphy Company added new controls, installed low-flow plumbing fixtures, introduced photo-cell lighting to its parking lot and made changes to avoid lighting spillover. The company also designated 12 special parking spaces for car pool, hybrid and alternative fuel vehicles, and added a bike rack. Murphy Company also eliminated the use of paper goods in kitchens, replacing Styrofoam with chinaware. A building-wide recycling program encourages recycling and discourages trash disposal. Green cleaning products and green processes for landscape maintenance also were implemented.

“Murphy Company has always had a low-VOC’s policy,” added Hill. “As an Ameren partner and an Energy Star® partner, we also encourage and advise the use of energy efficient and environmentally-friendly equipment and policies for all of our customers. We have expanded our Energy Solutions staff significantly, with seven LEED Accredited Professionals and Certified Energy Managers working at Murphy Company.

In addition to Krewson, members of the employee committee included Mark Bengard, PE; John Cochran, PE, Kevin Cook, PE; Mike Curtright, LEED AP; Walt Elliot, PE; Matt Gildehaus, PE; Tina Jones; Kelly Manuel; and Sam Welge, PE, LEED AP.

Murphy Company delivers mechanical solutions to the industrial, commercial, institutional and heavy industrial markets. With corporate offices in St. Louis and Denver, and regional offices in Fairview Heights, Ill., and Colorado

Springs, Colo., the firm offers process piping, HVAC, refrigeration, plumbing, design-build, piping fabrication, energy solutions and 24-hour service. Murphy currently is ranked No. 13 on Engineering News-Record's list of top mechanical contractors in the United States. Founded in 1907, the firm employs more than 1,000 people nationwide. For more information, visit [www.murphynet.com](http://www.murphynet.com).

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