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Peckham Inc. Achieves LEED Silver Certification

Lansing, MI- Peckham, Inc has achieved LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver Certification for its 188,000 square foot, new manufacturing facility. LEED certification provides independent, third-party verification that a building project meets the highest green building and performance measures.

The certification is awarded through the U.S. Green Building Council, an organization committed to developing cost and energy efficient, high performance, sustainable green buildings throughout the nation.

Peckham is one of only four manufacturing facilities in the state of Michigan, and among less than a dozen nationwide to achieve LEED Silver certification. The facility also incorporates principles of universal design, creating an environment that is easily accessible and usable by all.

“Peckham is proud to achieve this certification and be among organizations that are leading the way in building facilities that will positively impact our economy and improve our environment,” said Jo Sinha, Corporate Vice President. “This achievement is a direct result of the hard work and dedication of our team of architects, engineers and staff, and their commitment to creating an efficient, sustainable and flexible space.”

The LEED green building certification program is a consensus-based national rating system that addresses all building types and emphasizes state-of-the-art strategies in five areas: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials and resources selection, and indoor environmental quality.

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LEED-certified buildings are designed to:

- Lower operating costs and increase asset value.
- Reduce waste sent to landfills.
- Conserve energy and water.
- Be healthier and safer for occupants.
- Reduce harmful greenhouse gas emissions.
- Qualify for tax rebates, zoning allowances and other incentives in hundreds of cities.
- Demonstrate an owner's commitment to environmental stewardship and social responsibility.

The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) is a Washington, D.C.-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to a prosperous and sustainable future for our nation through cost-efficient and energy-saving green buildings. USGBC works toward its mission of market transformation through its LEED green building certification program, robust educational offerings, a nationwide network of chapters and affiliates, the annual Greenbuild International Conference & Expo, and advocacy in support of public policy that encourages and enables green buildings and communities.

Peckham, Inc. is a nonprofit community rehabilitation organization with more than 31 years of experience providing quality customer-centered services to people with disabilities. Peckham offers more than 30 different programs and services in community employment, facility-based employment, job readiness and career planning, housing, life skills and youth services. Our mission is to provide a wide range of opportunities to maximize human potential for persons striving for independence and self-sufficiency. We embrace collaboration, effective resource management and innovative approaches to achieve excellence.

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