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New Trane Office Building Earns LEED Silver Certification, Set New Standards for Commercial Real Estate in San Antonio

-- San Antonio building exceeds standard for high-performance green interiors --

San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 24, 2009 —A new Trane commercial office building in San Antonio is comfortable, productive, efficient, environmentally responsible – and it’s earned the certification that validates it.

The 32,000 square foot building at 9535 Ball Street has earned the U.S. Green Building Council’s Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design™ (LEED) Silver certification for Commercial Interiors. It is only the fourth LEED certified building in San Antonio.

Trane had the space finished out in four months and made green to accommodate its 75+ sales, service, parts and administrative employees in San Antonio.

“Creating a LEED-certified work environment is responsible to the environment, good for business and most importantly, great for employee morale and productivity,” said Stuart Werner, business leader for Trane in San Antonio. “Our office is not only the ideal work environment, but will serve as a green showplace for building owners.”

“Trane’s building is a tremendous addition to the city of San Antonio because its energy-efficient and sustainable design exemplifies what we hope to become building standards in the area,” said Alison Rivenburgh, LEED Accredited Professional, Sustainable Perspectives Group, LLC. “By showcasing the building’s innovative HVAC systems as well as water and lighting conservation techniques, Trane is helping illustrate to area businesses and residents the benefits of high-performance designs.”

Open House and Events to Showcase LEED Certification of the New Trane Building

To recognize this important accomplishment, city, community and business leaders will join Trane executives for a two-day grand opening and open house to showcase its high-performance, green office building.

As part of the events, Trane will recognize its partners on this project: Rehler Vaughn & Koone, Inc. (architects), DBR Engineering Consultants, Sustainable Perspectives Group, Cushman & Wakefield, ProLogis, Metropolitan Contracting Company, LTD. (general contractor) Beyer Plumbing Co., Flo-Aire Service (HVAC contractor), Brandt Engineering Co., and Austin Business Furniture.

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Tuesday, March 10, 4:00pm – 7:00pm

Open House and Tour – Building owners, local community leaders and Trane executives will offer tours and be available for discussion. Open house is open to the media.

Wednesday, March 11, 11:15am – 12:00pm

Awards Ceremony – Trane will be presenting its esteemed “Energy Leader” award to its partners involved with earning LEED Silver certification as well as receiving its Silver plaque from USGBC officials.

Wednesday, March 11th 12:30pm – 1:30pm

Engineers’ Broadcast Luncheon – A non-commercial broadcast delivered by industry-leading applications experts from Trane on “LEED 2009 Modeling and Energy Savings.”

What it Takes to Make a Commercial Office Building “Green”

To achieve LEED Silver certification, Trane met stringent credit qualifications in the areas of sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, indoor environmental quality and innovation in design.

In the Trane new facility, one-third of total building materials used were recycled, and 7 percent include rapidly renewable materials. Compared to standard office buildings, this building uses 32 percent less water, mechanical systems consume nearly 50 percent less energy, and highly efficient lighting systems have 15 percent less power density.

Environmentally sound materials and practices showcase the Trane office building for customers and employees. Green materials and practices incorporate low-emitting paints, carpets, wood and furniture, and 90 percent of occupants can partially control their workspace light levels, further reducing energy consumption.

About LEED for Commercial Interiors

The new Trane San Antonio facility met LEED for Commercial Interiors (CI) standards – the green benchmark for the tenant improvement market. LEED-CI is the recognized system for certifying high-performance green interiors that are healthy, productive places to work, are less costly to operate and maintain a reduced environmental footprint.

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About Trane

Trane, a business of Ingersoll Rand, improves the performance of homes and buildings around the world. Trane solutions optimize indoor environments with a broad portfolio of energy efficient heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems, building and contracting services, parts support and advanced controls for homes and commercial buildings. For more information, visit www.trane.com.

Trane has served customers in Texas for more than 30 years, with seven sales offices, AfterMarket Supply parts centers and service centers. Trane in Texas has approximately 500 associates serving the needs of education, healthcare, government, manufacturing, lodging and retail businesses in Texas.

As the second largest city in Texas and the seventh largest in the United States, San Antonio has a strong, diversified economy with a primary focus in financial services, healthcare, national defense and tourism. Trane San Antonio has associates that are USGBC members with local chapter involvement, including serving on the local chapter board, the Central Texas-Balcones Chapter.

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