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University of Hartford Students Prepare for Green-Focused Workplace

West Hartford, Conn. (Jan. 22, 2009) — University of Hartford engineering students will learn about sustainable building solutions using the latest emerging energy technologies on Jan. 23.

Dan Wendl, Trane's vice president for the northeast territory, will talk to students in a construction issues class about "Green Building and Sustainability" at **1:30 p.m. in Dana 320 at the University of Hartford.**

"With an increased focus on energy efficiency in buildings being central to the new presidents' economic recovery plan, students may find green building expertise more important to building a career than ever before," said Wendl. "We also find students keenly interested in learning more about green building. After salary and benefits questions, environmental contribution is the topic most frequently addressed by students interviewing with Trane."

During his presentation, Wendl will address the current state of green building nationwide and how students, educators and professionals can contribute to sustainable building. He will also discuss proven green technology options such as high-efficiency chilled water systems, district cooling/heating systems which deliver higher overall system efficiency for multiple-building campuses or industrial settings and ground source heat pump systems which tap into underground energy to provide year-round savings.

Buildings consume one third of energy world-wide, according to the U.S. Green Building Council. Green buildings consume 20 to 30 percent less.

While on campus, Wendl will also hold roundtable discussions with engineering student leaders and meet with engineering faculty members and university leadership to listen, learn and discuss the issues that are important to them, including the future of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) industry.

About Wendl

Wendl is responsible for all areas of the business in the Northeast, including sales, service, parts, controls and performance contracting. This includes 19 district offices across 13 U.S. states and four Canadian provinces. During more than 25 years with Trane, Wendl has worked in engineering, marketing, sales and management.

Wendl is a registered Professional Engineer. He is a chapter past-President of the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). He is also an active member in the Building Owners and Management Association (BOMA), the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), and a member of the Hospital Engineer's Association and Presidential roundtable.

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About Engineering Better Careers, Engineering Better Environments

Wendl's talk is part of the "Engineering Better Careers, Engineering Better Environments" College and University Program, sponsored by Trane. Through the program, senior executives collaborate with faculty and administrators to inspire the next generation of HVAC engineers. Trane executives visit campuses in person to educate students about real world engineering and business issues and the impact that engineering students can have today.

When leaders aren't visiting, Trane continues to support students and faculty by enriching classroom curriculum and creating clubs that encourage hands-on and experiential learning. Trane often offers software and lab equipment at a low and reduced cost; guides classroom curriculum, student projects and clubs; sponsors field trips to sales and manufacturing locations; and offers student internships and limited scholarships. For example, since 2006, Trane has sponsored two annual \$1,000 scholarships for University of Hartford engineering students.

Wendl is available for interviews upon request and appointment.

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About the University of Hartford

Chartered in 1957, the University of Hartford offers undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs in the arts, the humanities, business, engineering and technology, education, and the health professions. The University's student body of 7,300 represents 46 states and more than 50 countries. For more information on this "private university with a public purpose," visit <www.hartford.edu>.

About Trane

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