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## **Smart and Sustainable Campuses Conference Attendees Learn from Trane about Energy Saving Solutions**

### ***Trane and Oklahoma City Community College representatives discuss campus expansion and more-efficient infrastructure systems***

**Bethesda, Md., April 11, 2013**-Sustainability represents a key driver for higher education. The latest Princeton Review *Hopes and Worries* survey reports that 68 percent of students surveyed report that a commitment to sustainability impacts their college choice.<sup>1</sup>

The University of Maryland will host the 2013 Smart and Sustainable Campuses Conference (SSCC) on April 15 and 16, at the DoubleTree by Hilton, in Bethesda, Md. Experts from Trane, a leading global provider of indoor comfort solutions and services and a brand of Ingersoll Rand, and Oklahoma City Community College (OCCC), will discuss energy saving solutions and sustainability at the conference through a campus case study example, energy conservation measures and system design recommendations.

#### **OCCC combines campus expansion with increased efficiency**

J.B. Messer, director of facilities management for Oklahoma City Community College (OCCC), and Mike Presson, Oklahoma area manager for Trane, will address how OCCC combined a significant campus expansion with more energy efficiency infrastructure systems that have enabled the college to significantly decrease electrical consumption and transform their campus into a high performance learning environment.

Since 1999, the campus footprint at OCCC has increased 43 percent, while electrical utility costs have grown 40 percent, and campus electricity consumption has increased 6.2 percent. SSCC attendees will learn how Trane and OCCC collaborated to undertake a significant campus expansion while implementing more-efficient infrastructure solutions, enabling them to significantly decrease electrical consumption.

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<sup>1</sup>Princeton Review's latest [Hopes and Worries](http://www.fastcoexist.com/1679776/the-most-sustainable-colleges-in-america) survey, which scans the views of 7,445 college-bound students, reports that 68 percent now say commitment to sustainability impacts their college choice. (<http://www.fastcoexist.com/1679776/the-most-sustainable-colleges-in-america>)



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Attendees will gain tips and guidance for assessing current infrastructure systems and evaluating potential improvements on their own campuses. They will walk away prepared to apply similar methodologies to their schools based on factors such as educational, environmental and budgetary objectives.

#### **Presentation details:**

Title: OCCC's Strategic Planning Approach Cuts Costs, Improves the Learning Environment

When: Monday, April 15, at 9:30 a.m.

Where: Lilac Room, DoubleTree by Hilton, Bethesda, Md.

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#### **About the 2013 Smart and Sustainable Campuses Conference**

The University of Maryland hosts the 2013 Smart and Sustainable Campuses Conference on April 15 and 16 in Baltimore, Md., with support from several associations, corporate representatives, and campus partners. Colleges and universities are incubators of innovation, tackling the biggest challenges of society through creative means. The 2013 Smart and Sustainable Campuses Conference provides the setting to learn, share and explore how campuses are using their passion for innovation to develop technologies, infrastructure, programs and curricula that address the world's most pressing sustainability challenges.

#### **About Mike Presson**

Mike Presson, a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design accredited professional (LEED AP), is the Oklahoma area manager for Trane. Presson has been with Trane for 29 years in a variety of positions, including service technician, service manager, sales manager and general sales manager. Mike graduated from Oklahoma State University and is active in ASHRAE and the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) International.

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