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EXCEL TAKES THE LEED IN GREEN BUILDING PRACTICES

Brooklyn, NY November 21, 2008 – After nearly a year of rigorous study and practice, Excel Project Manager and Estimator Martin Mills has been certified as a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional (LEED AP), sanctioned by the US Green Building Council (USGBC) and managed by the Green Building Certification Institute (GBCI). The certification is awarded to building professionals demonstrating a thorough understanding of green building practices and principles and the LEED Green Building Rating System. It allows them to facilitate the integrated design process and streamline the LEED Building Certification process.

Mr. Mills expressed his commitment to green building saying, “I sincerely believe the future of building is in sustainable green design. NY is one of the largest markets for environmentally conscious construction and I believe 100% this the proper way to design and construct a building in today’s environment”, Mr. Mills is currently at work certifying his first project.

When asked how his certification will benefit Excel’s customers Mr. Mills responded, “Our knowledge of sustainable building design is solidified with LEED certification. Customers want to know that the contractor is knowledgeable in this area. If our clients, whether a homeowner or an architect, want to construct a green building, they can rest assured that as the contractor we have the proper qualifications. Many contractors claim to understand the process but we now have the credentials to back it up. We know what to do and have answers for clients when they have questions”.

Martin Mills joined Excel two years ago as a Project Manager and has since taken on the additional role of Estimator. In addition to his LEED AP certification, he is certified by the American Concrete Institute and the International Code Council. Prior to coming to Excel, Mr. Mills was a structural concrete and steel engineering inspector and has also been a property manager. He has a BA from the University of Illinois in Chicago.

About Excel Builders

Excel Builders & Renovators Inc. is a Brooklyn based custom builder and boutique developer bringing modern and traditional elegance and the highest quality materials and construction methods to urban living. Since 1997 Excel has been creating total living environments that both aesthetically and ergonomically anticipate the homeowner’s needs. An obsessive attention to detail in both what you can and cannot see makes Excel’s work a thing of lasting beauty. For more information, visit www.excelbuilds.com or contact Matthew Goldfine at (646) 294-6475.

About USGBC

The U.S. Green Building Council is a nonprofit membership organization whose vision is a sustainable built environment within a generation. Its membership includes corporations, builders, universities, government agencies, and other nonprofit organizations. Since USGBC's founding in 1993, the Council has grown to more than 17,500 member companies and organizations, a comprehensive family of LEED® green building certification systems, an expansive educational offering, the industry's popular Greenbuild International Conference and Expo (www.greenbuildexpo.org), and a network of 79 local chapters, affiliates, and organizing groups. For more information, visit www.usgbc.org.

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