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\$100 million LEED platinum data center for Sacramento

Sacramento Business Journal - June 16

A \$100 million Data center and computing complex is set to be built in the McClellan Business Park in Sacramento, which is expected to house 237,000 square feet of servers. The initial 66,000-square-foot data center received pre-certification last month from the U.S. Green Building Council under its LEED Platinum standard. Data centers already use more than 2 percent of all the electricity in the United States, according to an article by the Sacramento Bee, and the figure could reach 4 percent by 2010.

Green Building Focus

USGBC to begin outsourcing LEED certification to Green Building Certification Institute

Building Green - June 16

The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) announced that as of January 2009 it will no longer certify buildings. That responsibility will pass to independent, accredited certifiers overseen by USGBC's sister nonprofit corporation, the [Green Building Certification Institute](#) (GBCI). GBCI has administered the LEED Accredited Professional (LEED-AP) program since January 2008.

International Energy Agency predicts \$45 trillion in energy investments needed

International Herald Tribune - June 6

An energy study by the International Energy Agency concludes that the world needs to invest \$45 trillion in energy in coming decades, build some 1,400 nuclear power plants and vastly expand wind power in order to halve greenhouse gas emissions by 2050. The report envisions an "energy revolution" that would greatly reduce the world's dependence on fossil fuels while maintaining steady economic growth. A U.N.-network of scientists concluded last year that emissions have to be cut by at least half by 2050 to avoid an increase in world temperatures of between 3.6 and 4.2 degrees above pre-18th century levels.

Panel argues LEED is the future of industrial buildings

Globe Street - June 9

According to Globe Street, the industrial sector has been somewhat slow to jump on the Green Building bandwagon. However, this trend is changing, as more companies build LEED certified industrial space and add more sustainable features to their buildings. A panel at RealShare Industrial East spoke on "Smart Growth vs. Skepticism: the Greening of Industrial". This panel argued that that while the future of green building in the industrial sector looks bright, more governmental incentives will be required to

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Councilmember Wendy Greuel,
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Councilmember Ed Reyes,
Julius Shulman

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Frances Anderton, Host of
KCRW's DnA: Design and
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June 19, 2008
11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Beverly Hilton
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encourage green building.

US home builders reach \$4.3 million environmental settlement

US Environmental Protection Agency - June 11

Four of the nation's largest home builders, Centex Homes, KB Home, Pulte Homes, and Richmond American Homes, have agreed to pay civil penalties totaling \$4.3 million to resolve alleged violations of the Clean Water Act, according to the Justice Department and the Environmental Protection Agency. In four separate settlements, the companies resolved allegations of storm water run-off violations at construction sites in 34 states and have agreed to implement company-wide compliance programs that go beyond current regulatory requirements and keep 1.2 billion pounds of sediment from polluting the country's waterways each year.

Massachusetts to require green hospitals and nursing homes

Boston.com - June 12

Massachusetts health authorities are pursuing regulations requiring green construction methods for future hospitals and nursing home projects. Massachusetts will be the first state in the U.S. to combine the use of green building standards with construction approvals for healthcare facilities. The codes proposed by the state include using energy-conserving building materials, automatically-controlled water faucets and bicycle racks to encourage more car-free commuting.

Notable green building projects...

[Affordable housing project in Seattle earns LEED silver](#)

Broadway Crossing, a unique affordable housing project in Seattle's Capitol Hill neighborhood, recently gained a LEED silver certification. The building is touted as a model for private retail stores looking to locate in urban cores, and includes 44 subsidized housing units, half of which are set aside for families making up to 30 percent of the county's median income.

[Manhattan to build LEED certified condos in Greenwich Village](#)

Manhattan's new LEED building at One Jackson Square is one of the first LEED certified, environmentally-friendly buildings in the neighborhood, and sales are already under way for the 35 modernistic green condos.

[Tennessee higher education receives \\$1.5 million federal grant to build to LEED certification](#)

Kingsport Tennessee will receive a \$1.5 million federal grant for the Kingsport Center for Higher Education. The 50,000-square-foot center will be managed by Northeast State Technical Community College, and will be built in accordance with LEED standards for environmentally friendly and energy-efficient construction.

[Mammoth Mountain Ski Area announces first LEED building](#)

Mammoth Mountain Ski Area announced the completion of the first registered LEED building in Mammoth Lakes, California. The 1,336-

square-foot cabin at Tamarack Lodge sets a precedent for environmentally friendly building practices in the area and will be available for vacation rentals beginning in July, 2008.

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