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2009 Virginia Green Innovation Awards Announced at VSBN's Corporate Sustainability Annual Meeting

Arlington, VA – The 2009 Virginia Green Innovation Awards were announced by Virginia Sustainable Building Network and presented at their 14th Annual Meeting Celebration, which took place June 25, 2009 at the School of Architecture, University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Virginia. For 2009 the winners are:

Green Business

Arbour Realty, Arlington, Virginia, www.arbourrealty.com

Contact: Adam Gallegos, Principal Broker, Arbour Realty, askforadam@gmail.com,
703-536-5547

Green Organization

James River Green Building Council, Richmond, Virginia, www.jrgbc.org

Contact: Megan Miller, Executive Director, JRGC, megan@jrgbc.org, 804-288-2950

Green Designer

Oesch Environmental Design, www.hfoesch.com

Contact: Fred Oesch, Principal, Oesch Environmental Design, hfoesch@mindspring.com,
434-831-1003

Residential Single-Family Project

Metro Green Home, www.metrogreenhome.com

Contact: Patty Shields, Principal, Metro Green, pattysields@metrogreenhome.com

Residential Multi-Family Project

The State and City Building, Roanoke, Virginia, www.spectrumpc.com

Contact: John A. Garland, P.E., Spectrum Design, PC, jgarland@spectrumpc.com,
540-342-6001

Institutional Project - K-12

Poquoson Elementary School, Poquoson, Virginia, www.vmdo.com

Contact: Stephen B. Davis, AIA, LEED AP, VMDO Architects, P.C., davis@vmdo.com,
434-296-5684

Institutional Project – Higher Education

Virginia Commonwealth University Rice Center Education Building, www.vcu.edu

Contact: Dr. Len Smock, President, VCU Rice Center, lsmock@vcu.edu, 804-828-1662
Catherine Dahl, Director of Development, VCU Rice Center, cdahl@vcu.edu, 804-828,1662

Commercial Project

Moseley Architects Headquarters Office Building, Richmond, Virginia,
www.moseleyarchitects.com

Contact: Bryna Dunn, AICP, LEED AP, Vice President, Moseley Architects,
bdunn@moseleyarchitects.com, 804-545-6076

Most Sustainable Community Program

City of Alexandria Eco-City Program, www.alexandriava.gov

Contact: William Skrabak, City of Alexandria, William.skrabak@alexandriava.gov,
703-519-3400, ext.163

Special Recognition for Advancing Climate Protection Policy and Practices

DuPont

Contact: Chris Caldwell, State Manager, Government Affairs, Chris.caldwell@usa.dupont.com,
804-658-8367

Terry G. Gooding, Regional Manager, DuPont Operations Public Affairs,
Terry.G.Gooding@usa.dupont.com, 804-383-3701

Special Recognition for Her Support of Green Building Programs in Virginia

Robin Jones, Program Manager, Energy Division, Virginia Department of Mines,
Minerals and Energy

Contact: Robin Jones, robin.jones@dmme.virginia.gov, 804-692-3224

Each year VSBN members have the opportunity to nominate Green businesses, organizations, design firms, and community programs that represent “the best Green projects or programs in Virginia.” The VSBN Board of Directors votes on the winners. The criteria for the awards are: 1) environmentally responsible products, projects, and programs; 2) emphasis on energy efficiency and renewable energy use; 3) completed projects and on-going programs; and 4) promotion of Green Building and Sustainable Development principles in the local community.

VSBN was also pleased to feature outstanding speakers at our Annual Meeting, which featured the theme of **Corporate Sustainability: The Business Community Role in Advancing Climate Protection**. Topics covered included corporate sustainability products and practices; buildings, sustainability and climate protection; and the federal climate legislation currently being considered by Congress.

The speakers were: Thomas Schuler, Vice President and General Manager, DuPont Building Innovations and panel participants, John Mlade, LEED AP, Senior Associate, Perkins + Will; Jackie Roberts, Director, Sustainable Technologies, Environmental Defense Fund; and Kevin Baird, Plant Manager, Roanoke Cement. VSBN was also pleased to have Ridge Schuyler, District Director for Congressman Tom Perriello, VA-5th District, speak on the role of federal legislation and local action in addressing climate change.

Virginia Sustainable Building Network (VSBN) is the only statewide organization to bring together representatives from diverse sectors who are interested in building healthy, environmentally friendly buildings and sustainable communities. VSBN was incorporated as a non-profit (501-c-3) organization in 1995. To accomplish its mission of promoting Green Building and Sustainable Development, VSBN carries out workshops, regional and state-wide conferences, and provides training and technical resources for members of the design and construction industry, local and state government, private building owners, school systems, and affordable housing organizations. It has developed an ever-growing information clearinghouse and resource directory and serves as a regional networking organization.

Visit the VSBN website for more information: www.vsbnet.org or contact Annette Osso, LEED AP, President, VSBN, at 703-486-2966.