

Press Release

PS&S Wins 2011 National Recognition Award From American Council of Engineering Companies

WARREN, NJ, (February 22, 2011) –PS&S, LLC, the highly acclaimed design and engineering firm, has earned a National Recognition Award in the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) 2011 Engineering Excellence Awards competition. The firm won for its work on the “Genzyme LEED Gold Building Addition and Renovation” project. The annual competition recognizes engineering firms for projects that demonstrate a high degree of achievement, value and ingenuity. PS&S’s award was in the “Industrial and Manufacturing Processes and Facilities” category.



PS&S worked closely with Genzyme, one of the world’s leading biotechnology companies, to help it implement its green initiatives and create a resourceful, energy efficient, high-performance facility, adhering to Genzyme’s corporate commitment to a healthy, productive workplace with minimal environmental impact. Its goal was to achieve a high Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) rating by the U.S. Green Building Council.

“PS&S is proud of the Genzyme project and the innovative ideas we incorporated into it,” said Dr. Anthony Sartor, the CEO of PS&S. “Receiving a National Recognition Award from the ACEC is an important independent confirmation of the cutting-edge nature of much of the architecture and engineering we incorporated into this building. It is a sign of things to come from PS&S.”

In addition to performing the total architectural, interiors and engineering design, PS&S obtained the required environmental permits, and provided site planning, regulatory constraint assessment, geotechnical investigations and flood plain analysis services. The building's addition earned high LEED points for its environmentally sustainable and energy efficient design and construction, which included:

- Reducing water consumption by 44% ;
- Using more than 25% recycled materials for the building's content;
- Using more than 90% of on-site generated waste, diverted from landfills via recycling;
- Increasing indoor air ventilation to levels greater than 30% above minimum ASHRAE standards set for green buildings;
- Allowing natural daylight and views which surpassed 75% of all regularly occupied indoor spaces
- Planting natural and non-invasive species in 54% of the site area, a portion of which was designed to eliminate the necessity of implementing an irrigation system; and
- Providing preferred parking for fuel efficient cars and bicycle storage areas which attributed to sustainable transportation methods.

The project achieved a LEED Gold rating from the U.S. Green Building Council, making it only the 2nd LEED rated building within the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission jurisdiction. As such the project is a true example of social, economic and sustainable development with corresponding benefits to the community.

About PS&S

PS&S, LLC provides total integrated engineering, building design, environmental, and energy consulting services to a wide range of clients including major Real Estate Developers, Healthcare and Higher Educational Institutions, major Pharmaceutical and Biotechnology companies, the Gaming and Hospitality industry, Fortune 500 companies, and a vast array of public agencies and authorities. PS&S' corporate headquarters is in Warren, NJ. Regional offices are located in Camden and Galloway, NJ; Yonkers and Garden City, NY; and Puerto Rico. PS&S is ranked among the nation's Top Design Firms and Top Green Design Firms by *Engineering News Record*, is listed among the Engineering/Architectural "Giants" by *Building Design and Construction*, and is rated one of New Jersey's Top Engineering Firms, Top Architectural Firms and Top Environmental Firms by *NJBIZ*.