

## **Press Release**

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## Skanska Starts New Green Office Project in Washington, D.C.

Washington, D.C. – Skanska is to develop and construct its second commercial office project in Washington, D.C. The investment amounts to \$63.5 million. The office building will be constructed at 1776 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia, a highly sought-after district close to central Washington D.C. The project comprises a total of about 15,000 square meters of leasable space, with 230 underground parking spaces.

The building is scheduled for completion in the second quarter of 2012. Construction work will commence in the fourth quarter and will be implemented by Skanska's building unit.

"We firmly believe in the strength and long-term value in Arlington," said Rob Ward, Executive Vice President and Regional Manager of Skanska USA Commercial Development in Washington D.C. "This area is one of the best sub markets in the country, with low vacancy rates and high demand."

1776 Wilson Boulevard has been designed to fulfill certification requirements in accordance with the international environmental certification system LEED®. The aim is to achieve a minimum of LEED Gold certification by reducing the building's water and energy consumption. There will also be power outlets in the garage for charging electric cars.

Skanska's first commercial office project in the U.S. is currently being constructed at 733 10th Street, Washington, D.C. The project comprises about 16,000 square meters, and is scheduled for completion in 2011. This project will also be LEED Gold certified.

Both projects have been developed by Skanska USA Commercial Development, which focuses on commercial office projects in selected markets, initially pertaining to Washington D.C., Boston, Massachusetts, and Houston, Texas. In Washington D.C., Skanska is currently also constructing bridges and traffic interchanges at 11th Street Bridges.

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Skanska is one of the world's leading project development and construction groups with expertise in construction, development of commercial and residential projects and public-private partnerships. Based on its global green experience, Skanska aims to be the clients' first choice for Green solutions. The Group currently has 49,000 employees in selected home markets in Europe, in the U.S. and Latin America. Headquartered in Stockholm, Sweden, and listed on the Stockholm Stock Exchange, Skanska's sales in 2009 totalled \$17.9 billion.