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Skanska Sponsors LEED® Statement at Annual ASC Event

PARSIPPANY, NJ March 7, 2008 Skanska USA Building Inc. announced today that it sponsored a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) problem statement for the second year in a row at the 21st annual Associated Schools of Construction (ASC) conference in Sparks, Nevada. Fourteen collegiate teams from around the United States participated in the event.

Skanska's Portland, Seattle and Raleigh-Durham offices jointly developed this year's problem statement which tested knowledge of LEED-CS (Core and Shell) and LEED-NC (New Construction) requirements on a mixed-use, high-rise project in Seattle, Washington. Skanska is the only construction manager at the ASC event to sponsor a LEED statement.

The problem statement required attendance at a design charette; analysis of preliminary design characteristics and determination of the proper system to use for certification; technical questions regarding applicability and acceptability of design features; review of schedule impacts from design revisions; identifying and substantiating potential innovation points; and oral presentation of the information to a seven-person evaluation board. The six member student teams were given fifteen hours to complete a 20-page written response and prepare for a twenty minute oral presentation.

The winning 2008 teams included Cal-Poly San Luis Obispo, Colorado State University and Boise State University. A total of 15 points separated the top six teams in the event, which has the largest collegiate participation in the nation. Congratulations to the other teams participating from Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University, Brigham Young University, Brigham Young University – Idaho, University of California – Berkeley, California State University – Chico, Central Washington

University, University of Florida, Humboldt State University, Montana State University and Virginia Polytechnic Institute for competing in this national challenge.

Skanska's group was led by Vice President, Account Manager Gordon Childress, with help from Rochelle Riggs, Jeremy Buddress, Myrrh Caplan, Courtney Lorenz, Bill Fouty, Jason Hynes, Liz Kaminsky and Daniel Haas.

The Associated Schools of Construction is the professional association for the development and advancement of construction education, where the sharing of ideas and knowledge inspires, guides and promotes excellence in curricula, teaching, research and service. This year's Region 6 and 7 Conference brought 800 students together from 31 different schools in the western United States.

Skanska USA Building Inc. is a leading national and local provider of construction, pre-construction consulting, general contracting and design-build services to a broad range of U.S. industries including life sciences, healthcare, education, high-tech, aviation, transportation and sports and entertainment. Skanska USA Building also provides pharmaceutical validation services to clients. The company, part of the Skanska AB global group of companies, is headquartered in Parsippany, New Jersey, and has approximately 4700 employees.

Skanska is one of the world's leading construction groups with expertise in construction, development of commercial and residential projects and public-private partnerships. The Group currently has 60,000 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 2007 totaled \$20 billion.

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