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PPG glass, paint featured in eight of year's top ten green building projects

AIA COTE Award winners for 2008 use SOLARBAN glass, PITTSBURGH Paints

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 8, 2008 – The American Institute of Architects' Committee on the Environment (COTE) has named its top ten green building projects for 2008, and eight of them feature architectural glass and paint from EcoLogical Building Solutions by PPG Industries (NYSE:PPG). Six projects were built using low-emissivity glass by PPG, and Pittsburgh Paints were used in two more.

Four award winners showcase Solarban 60 solar-control, low-e glass:

- Discovery Center, Seattle, Mill Hull Partnership architects
- Nueva School's Hillside Learning Complex, Hillsborough, Calif., Leddy Maytum Stacy Architects
- Queens Botanical Garden Visitors Center, Flushing, N.Y., BKSK Architects
- Garthwaite Center, Weston, Mass., Architerra architects

One award winner, the Cesar Chavez Library in Laveen, Ariz., was built with Sungate 500 glass, while another, the Pocono Environmental Education Center in Dingman's Ferry, Pa., is glazed with Solarban 60 glass and Sungate 500 glass. The Cesar Chavez Library was design by Line & Space Architecture and the Pocono Environmental Education Center was designed by Bohlin Cywinski Jackson.

The two award-winners decorated with Pittsburgh Paints are:

- Leopold Legacy Center, Baraboo, Wis., The Kubula Washatko Architects
- Macallen Building Condominiums, Boston, Burt Hill architects

PPG manufactures Pittsburgh Paints Pure Performance paint, the industry's first Green Seal Class A certified zero-volatile organic compounds paint, as well as environmentally-friendly brands such as WallHide, Speedhide and Speedcraft paints.

Solarban 60 and Sungate 500 glasses are used on many green projects because of their exceptional combination of visible light transmittance and solar heat control. These characteristics help architects design buildings with less reliance on artificial lighting and lower cooling loads. Solarban 60 and Sungate 500 glasses also have the transparent appearance many architects favor.

To learn more about EcoLogical Building Solutions by PPG, visit www.ppgideascales.com or call 1-888-PPG-IDEA (774-4332).

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