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TURNER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY AND U.S. GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL RELEASE WEB-BASED LEED ACCREDITATION EXAM PREPARATION COURSE

Pittsburgh, PA, February 1, 2006 – Turner Construction Company has partnered with the U.S. Green Building Council to release a three-and-a-half-hour web-based course entitled, *Essentials of LEED® Professional Accreditation*, designed to educate building industry professionals about LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Professional Accreditation requirements. This is the first web-based course designed to help participants prepare for the exam requirements.

“The web-based *Essentials of LEED Professional Accreditation* course is an exciting new undertaking for USGBC,” said Rick Fedrizzi, President, CEO & Founding Chair, USGBC. “We will be able to reach a very broad audience, which will enable us to educate as many people we can about the green building process.”

Divided into six lessons, the course covers topics including the LEED rating system, coordinating a LEED project during design and construction, managing the LEED certification process, and verifying that a project meets LEED requirements. The course also includes a practice exam intended to familiarize participants with the computer testing environment and to expose them to questions similar in content and format to those that will be encountered during the actual exam.

After completing the course, participants who have had supplemental education or experience to broaden their understanding of the LEED rating system will better

understand the requirements for achieving accreditation and also have a better understanding of the certification process. The course is also ideal for professionals who are new to green building, or who just want to learn more about sustainable design and construction and the LEED rating process.

This course is registered with the AIA (American Institute of Architects). AIA members will receive 3.5 AIA/ CES (Continuing Education System) Learning Units upon completion of the course.

To take the course, go to <http://www.usgbc.org>. The course is available for purchase through the USGBC Products & Services catalog under Workshops and Web Based Learning. The cost of the course is \$150 for USGBC Members and \$200 for Non-Members. After purchase, the course is accessible for 60 days. For more information about the course, contact USGBC at 202-828-7422 or workshop@usgbc.org.

About Turner

Turner is the leading general builder in the U.S., ranking first or second in the major segments of the building construction field. During 2004, Turner completed \$7.0 billion of construction. Turner is the only builder offering clients a nationwide network, with 46 offices across the U.S. Founded in 1902, the firm is a wholly owned subsidiary of HOCHTIEF, one of the world's leading international construction companies. For more information, visit Turner's website at www.turnerconstruction.com.

About [Turner University](#)

Turner Construction Company began development of its corporate knowledge network Turner Knowledge Network (TKN) in 2000 and launched [Turner University](#) online learning website to staff and to business partners in 2002. In 2003 [Turner University](#) was made available to the public. Currently [Turner University](#) has 31 web-based courses, plus an OSHA (Occupational Safety

and Health Administration) 30 Hour course that is part web-based (24 hours) and part instructor-led class and exam (8 hours). Upon completion, participants obtain an OSHA 30 Hour card. For more information, visit www.turneruniversity.com

About LEED Accreditation

LEED Accreditation enables industry professionals to demonstrate their understanding of integrated design and green building practices and principles, and ensures that they have the knowledge and skills needed to successfully steward a building project from design to LEED certification.

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