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THE NAVY YARD AT NOISETTE RECEIVES LEED NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATION

The Navy Yard at Noisette earns the first LEED Neighborhood
Development Certification in the State of South Carolina.

North Charleston, SC (February 24, 2010) The Navy Yard at Noisette (Navy Yard) recently received LEED Certification under the LEED for Neighborhood Development Pilot Program. LEED for Neighborhood Development is a certification program developed by the US Green Building Council (USGBC) in collaboration with the Congress for New Urbanism and the Natural Resources Defense Council that integrates the principles of smart growth, new urbanism and green building into the first national system for neighborhood design. The USGBC states that “LEED certification provides independent, third-party verification that a development's location and design meet accepted high levels of environmentally responsible, sustainable development.”

Approximately 240 projects from around the world registered for the LEED ND Pilot program in the middle of 2007. As of February 1, 2010, Sixty three projects had obtained varying levels of certification. **The Navy Yard is the first LEED ND certified project in the State of South Carolina.** As a participant of the Pilot Program, The Noisette

Company provided feedback to the US Green Building Council to improve the proposed rating system.

Jeff Baxter, The Noisette Company's Director of Development, managed the certification process for the Navy Yard. Baxter states "We are excited about receiving the first LEED ND certification in the State. Our team has been working towards the certification for over two years. The certification offers an independent, third-party affirmation of the merits of the Navy Yard project and continues to build on a list of important sustainable projects occurring within North Charleston and the Noisette Community."

For more information on the Navy Yard at Noisette, Please visit www.navyyardsc.com. For information on the before mentioned companies, please Contact us at info@noisettesc.com . For information on LEED ND, please visit www.usgbc.org

The Navy Yard at Noisette is a 340-acre, sustainable urban redevelopment that includes parts of the former Charleston Naval Base. For information on the Navy Yard, go to www.navyyardsc.com, or please contact Jeff Baxter at the above phone number and email address.

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