

**COVETED PLATINUM LEED DESIGNATION AWARD FOR  
DISCOVERYGREEN**

**MORGUARD INVESTMENTS, BUNTING COADY ARCHITECTS  
AND DISCOVERY PARKS HONOURED**

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(Vancouver, BC, January 12, 2010) Morguard Investments Limited, Bunting Coady Architects and Discovery Parks have been awarded the coveted Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (**LEED**) CS Platinum Designation for the DiscoveryGreen Building in Burnaby, B.C.

The LEED-CS Platinum award is the highest level designation in the internationally recognized LEED program. Constructed in 2008 by Stuart Olson Construction, designed by Bunting Coady Architects and engineered by Cobalt Engineering, Read Jones Christoffersen, with landscape architects Eckford and Associates, DiscoveryGreen is one of the most sustainable buildings of its type ever built.

The DiscoveryGreen building features:

- 100% green electricity through the purchase of Green-e/EcoLogo Certified Renewable Energy Certificates;
- rain water harvesting that reduces water consumption by up to 45%;
- variable refrigerant flow technology providing low cost heating and cooling;
- multi HVAC systems controlling ambient air quality;
- Encelium lighting systems reducing energy use by up to 79%;
- sun shades, high efficiency window glass and lighting fixtures providing lower glare and shadow to improve occupier comfort;
- all furniture, carpets and upholstery low in off-gassing volatile organic compounds;
- building design ensuring an abundance of natural light with pleasant outdoor green spaces;
- fitness facility and walking paths;
- use of FSC certified wood; use of locally made products and materials, including recycled materials in many products and interior finishes.

Owned and managed by Morguard Investments and developed by Discovery Parks, the DiscoveryGreen Building is leased by HSBC Bank Canada and is one of the only two buildings in British Columbia to receive the coveted LEED-CS Platinum designation. DiscoveryGreen is located at 3383 Gilmore Way, Burnaby BC.

### **About Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)**

LEED ([www.caqbc.org/index.htm](http://www.caqbc.org/index.htm)) is the leading certification standard in green building design developed by the U.S. Green Building Council and adopted by environmentally conscious owners and developers globally.

### **About Bunting Coady Architects**

Bunting Coady Architects, ([www.buntingcoady.com](http://www.buntingcoady.com)), is an innovative, full service, architectural practice based in Vancouver, Canada. With a reputation for designing high performance buildings and sustainable architecture, 'We create Living Breathing Buildings®'. This practice designed the first LEED® Gold building in Canada and now has more square footage of LEED® Bunting Coady Architects has more of its buildings at the LEED Gold and Platinum designations than any other architectural firm in Canada.

### **About Morguard Investments Limited**

Morguard Investments ([www.morguard.com](http://www.morguard.com)) is recognized as one of Canada's leading fully integrated commercial real estate investment advisory firms. With more than \$9 billion in assets owned and under management, Morguard provides a comprehensive range of real estate management services. Our portfolio includes more than 45 million square feet of retail, office, industrial, and mixed-use properties in addition to 14,000 residential units in markets across Canada.

### **About Discovery Parks**

Discovery Parks ([www.discoveryparks.com](http://www.discoveryparks.com)) designs and builds research facilities for the benefit of the people of British Columbia. Situated on three post-secondary campuses and in the Cities of Vancouver and Burnaby, Discovery is the link between academic research and the marketplace. Almost two million square feet of technology space has been developed to date. Operating profits are distributed to BC's post-secondary institutions, helping to fuel BC's technology economy, with over \$12 million having been paid to these institutions to date.