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THE MISSISSIPPI HEADWATERS CHAPTER OF THE U.S. GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL ANNOUNCES FIRST-EVER PLATINUM SPONSORS

Minneapolis, April XX, 2008 – the Mississippi Headwaters Chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council, located in Minnesota, announced today that it has secured three platinum sponsors for the first time since the chapter's inception in October 2004. The platinum sponsors are Dunham Associates, Great River Energy and McGough Construction.

“Our Chapter welcomes Dunham Associates, Great River Energy and McGough Construction as its three newest sponsors,” said Sheri Brezinka, President of the Mississippi Headwaters Chapter and Marketing Manager for Weis Builders, Inc. “Since the founding of the Mississippi Headwaters Chapter, we’ve built a strong foundation of sponsors, which has paralleled our steady rise in chapter, capital - throughout. In turn, having a healthy sponsorship base enables the chapter to provide ongoing programming and technical workshops on sustainability for not only our members, but for the vast number of architects, designers, engineers and facility managers throughout the greater Twin Cities area.”

The Chapter is a membership-driven organization that accepts sponsorships in the levels of bronze, silver, gold and platinum. Part of the funding of the chapter's eco-design educational programs and technical workshops derives from sponsors.

The Chapter's next program is a co-sponsorship of the *Finance & Commerce* for a Green Design Forum: “Greening Your Building Toward the Bottom Line.” The event will be held at the Hyatt Regency Minneapolis on Thursday, April 24, from 3:30 to 7 p.m. For additional information and to register, visit www.usgbcmn.org.

About the Mississippi Headwaters Chapter

As the built environment fundamentally impacts peoples' lives and our planet's health, the mission of the Mississippi Headwaters Chapter is to positively transform the building processes, building industry and communities of the Minnesota region, by drawing upon the experience of stakeholders in the built environment. The Mississippi Headwaters Chapter promotes the

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design, construction and operation of buildings and communities that are healthy places to live and work, environmentally responsible and economically viable on a lifecycle basis. The Chapter serves its members and communities by promoting best practices in design and technology usage, advocating green building policies and facilitating information exchange and education. The chapter encourages the widespread acceptance and use of the LEED® Green Building Rating System™ and other complementary tools and standards. For more information, visit www.chapters.usgbc.org/usgbcmm.

About the U.S. Green Building Council

The U.S. Green Building Council is the nation's leading coalition of corporations, builders, universities, government agencies and nonprofit organizations working together to promote buildings that are environmentally responsible, profitable and healthy places to live and work. The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction, and operation of high performance green buildings. Since its founding in 1993, the Council has grown to more than 7,500 member companies and organizations, a broad portfolio of LEED products and services, the industry's popular Greenbuild International Conference and Expo, and a network of 75 local chapters, affiliates and organizing groups. For more information, visit www.usgbc.org.

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