

**801 Seventeenth Street
Press Release**

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**Lafayette Tower at 801 Seventeenth Street is Washington's
First Platinum Office Building**

Louis Dreyfus Property Group announces that Lafayette Tower at 801 Seventeenth Street NW has achieved Platinum Level Certification from the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED program.

Lafayette Tower is the first commercial office building in Washington to receive the LEED Platinum rating. The building's owner, management team, LEED consultant, design team and controls system contractor worked closely together to achieve this superlative certification.

- > Kevin Roche John Dinkeloo and Associates designed an office environment that meets the highest standards for indoor air and delivers natural light on all four sides of the building.
- > Highly efficient mechanical systems were designed by TOLK, Inc.
- > GreenShape LLC provided LEED consultation and assisted the project team with core and shell Platinum documentation submissions to the USGBC.
- > Wiles Mensch Corporation designed an extensive green roof that exceeds LEED requirements.
- > Clark Construction Group, the general contractor, diverted 88 percent of the construction waste from landfills during both the demolition and construction phases.

Green buildings create less waste by using recycled and renewable materials, energy efficient lighting and water-saving plumbing fixtures. They are designed so that their mechanical systems are maximized and construction waste is minimized. The USGBC provides important leadership in the quest to achieve sustainability in buildings and communities.

Louis Dreyfus Property Group has been a leader in developing green standards in Washington. Robert Braunohler, regional vice president, is on the Mayor's Green Collar Jobs Advisory Council and speaks frequently on panels that promote green/sustainable building practices. Sean Cahill, vice president of development and a LEED AP, is a member of the Mayor's Green Building Advisory Council, a task force that helped develop the Green Building Act of 2006 for the District of Columbia.

Louis Dreyfus has demonstrated a commitment to providing sustainable developments at the company's other projects in Washington, including 1101 New York Avenue NW, which was DC's first LEED Gold certified office building in 2006, and 700 Second Street NE at Station Place, which is designed to receive a LEED Silver rating.

About Louis Dreyfus Property Group

Louis Dreyfus Property Group has developed, acquired and managed first-class office buildings in North America and Europe for over 35 years. Active in the Washington real estate market since the early 1970's, it has developed and owns Station Place, the 1.6-million-square-foot development connected to Union Station that is the headquarters of the SEC, and 1101 New York Avenue. Louis Dreyfus Property Group also developed and owned the Four Seasons Hotel in Georgetown and 2001 K Street.
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