



Standard Chartered aims for LEED Gold; Gensler acted as LEED consultant

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Standard Chartered Bank has completed the relocation of its Americas headquarters to 1095 Avenue of the Americas. The bank's 500 N.Y.-based staff now occupy three floors of the Met Life building totaling 107,000 s/f.

The new work space includes a trading floor with floor-to-ceiling windows along with expanded client facilities and staff meeting space. Standard Chartered is aiming for LEED gold certification for the space, which features energy and water-efficient systems, a "living wall" of greenery linking the three floors and extensive use of recycled materials. Gensler acted as the LEED consultant on the project.

"I am extremely proud of our new office space, which fuses cultural influences from Asia, Africa, the Middle East and South America with stunning New York architectural design and cityscapes," said David Stileman, CEO of Standard Chartered, Americas. "As we continue to grow in the Americas, this space will not only accommodate us, it will enable us to work more collaboratively and to live our values regarding the environment and sustainable business practices."

The Met Life Building is owned by the Blackstone Group, with Equity Office acting as the leasing agent. Jones Lang LaSalle represented Standard Chartered.

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