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Public Storage selects Schimenti Construction to expand Melville facility

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Schimenti Construction has been awarded a contract by Public Storage for the construction of a new 39,563 s/f addition to its existing self-storage facility.

John Butler, Schimenti project manager, said, "This is the first project we will build for Public Storage and we expect construction to be completed on time in late September 2011. With this newly constructed addition, the Melville location will soon offer almost 140,000 s/f of self-storage space."

"This project has presented a number of challenges," Butler said. "We have been tasked with completing the expansion without impacting the day-to-day operation of the busy and active facility. Working closely with the Public Storage site management team, we are diligently coordinating our work to minimize our presence and mitigate any potential disruptions to the facility, tenants, or neighboring residents."

"We also have to be particularly cognizant of protecting final finishes as we work. The aesthetic appearance of the concrete floors, cmu block walls, and light gauge metal framing on this project is every bit as important as carpet, painted drywall, and acoustic ceilings on one of our typical retail projects. Our team is being very diligent in the protection of these non-traditional interior finishes," Butler emphasized.

Public Storage built its first self-storage facility in 1972. Today it operates over 2,100 company-owned locations in the United States and Europe, totaling more than 135 million net rentable square feet of real estate. Its PS Business Parks interest adds another approximately 21 million rentable square feet of commercial and industrial space. Based on number of tenants, Public Storage is among the largest landlords in the world.

Given its long and successful history, its presence in major markets, its customer focus and its leadership position in the self-storage industry, Public Storage is a respected and trusted operator of self-storage facilities.

Public Storage is a member of the S&P 500, The Forbes Global 2000 and FT Global 500. Common and preferred stock for Public Storage trade on the New York Stock Exchange.

Schimenti Construction, headquartered in Ridgefield with offices in New York City, has built a strong reputation in the retail construction industry and has developed a solid niche in urban construction. The firm builds retail-shopping environments for some of the nations leading retailers including Hollister, TJ Maxx, Kohl's, Best Buy, Fossil, Barnes & Noble, Target, T-Mobile, and Bed Bath & Beyond.

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