Brookfield Office Properties names C&W exclusive leasing agent

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According to Cushman & Wakefield, Brookfield Office Properties Inc. has appointed the global real estate firm as leasing agent for its Manhattan West development, located on Ninth Ave. between West 31st and 33rd Sts.

Manhattan West, which is being designed by Skidmore Owings and Merrill LLP, will consist of two office towers of two million s/f each, a third of approximately one million s/f and a fourth, smaller building which will most likely be mixed-use space. A 1.5-acre public plaza will transect the site.

Construction is slated to begin in the first quarter of 2012, with the delivery of the first tower anticipated in late 2015.

The Cushman & Wakefield team representing Brookfield will be led by Bruce Mosler, global team leader and chairman of global brokerage, Arthur Mirante, Josh Kuriloff, Michael Rotchford, Maureen Kelly, Mikael Nahmias, Ethan Silverstein, Ken McCarthy, senior economist and managing director of research, as well as global Cushman & Wakefield partners, James Young, head of EMEA Office Brokerage and Arsh Chaudhry, executive managing director in Singapore.

"The site is in the heart of Manhattan's most vibrant neighborhood flanked by Chelsea to the south, Clinton to the north, and Midtown to the east," said Mosler. "Cushman & Wakefield is privileged to represent one of the most prominent real estate development sites in the world. We look forward to working closely with Brookfield and securing top-quality tenants for the state-of-the-art, environmentally friendly, efficient office and mixed-use space that will be Manhattan West."

"We're pleased to have Cushman & Wakefield on board as leasing agent for Manhattan West, a vital development in Manhattan's flourishing Midtown West commercial district," said Jerry Larkin, senior vice president, director of leasing for Brookfield's New York and Boston Regions.