

Cassidy Turley/AEW lead LEED Gold certification for 360 Lexington Avenue

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According to Cassidy Turley, 360 Lexington Ave. has been certified LEED Gold for Existing Buildings: Operations & Maintenance (LEED for Existing Buildings: O&M). 360 Lexington Ave. is owned by AEW Capital Management, L.P. (AEW), who owns the property on behalf of the AEW Core Property Trust, L.P., an open-end core real estate fund. Located near Grand Central Terminal, the multi-tenant building has 262,605 s/f and is currently undergoing a capital improvement upgrade that includes a new cooling plant, a new lobby, increased U roofing values to meet the latest energy code and improvements to the building envelope, among other items.

The Cassidy Turley team leading the LEED process for 360 Lexington Ave. included: Jack Terranova, senior VP, principal; Dana Dinolfo, assistant property manager; Joe Politi, senior property manager; Joe Yacovone, senior managing director; Evan Tyroler, VP of sustainability services; and Nicole Snarski, sustainability project coordinator.

"AEW Capital Management is committed to growing their portfolio of LEED-certified buildings through creative, turn-key sustainability initiatives and Cassidy Turley is proud to partner with the firm on their second LEED Gold certified building in New York," said Terranova.

250 Park Ave., which is also owned by AEW, was AEW's first property in Manhattan to obtain LEED Gold OM certification. This process was completed by the same Cassidy Turley team in May 2011. 360 Lexington Ave. is the third building that Terranova and his team have brought through to LEED Gold OM status in the past four years.

"Earning LEED Gold Certification for 360 Lexington is a significant accomplishment for both the project team and our tenants," said Dan Bradley, senior portfolio manager for the AEW Core Property Trust. "AEW is committed to an environmentally responsible approach to property stewardship and the sustainability of the commercial property it owns on behalf of its clients, whenever possible."

Cassidy Turley provided training for building management and engineering teams for operational requirements for green buildings. From research collected through tenant participation surveys, the Cassidy Turley team worked with vendors to upgrade recycling and green cleaning programs to improve waste diversion. The LEED Gold OM certification of the building was based on modifications to the operations and maintenance procedures that positively impacted the building itself and the broader community. The upgraded procedures and features included:

- * Developing a comprehensive energy management program that included full building retro-commissioning, implementation of various energy conservation measures and an ongoing commissioning plan to ensure continued optimal building efficiency
- * Implementing innovative recycling and green cleaning programs for waste diversion to improve employee and tenant environment

- * Upgrading building lobby to include all new interior lighting, HVAC and desks
- * Installing state-of-the-art cooling plant to optimize energy efficiency

In Manhattan, there are 34 LEED EB certified buildings, only eight are certified as LEED EB Gold, two of which are managed by Cassidy Turley and owned by AEW Capital. This strategic partnership and integration of sustainability best practices throughout New York contributes to a healthier environment for building tenants and the larger community. Notable tenants of 360 Lexington Ave. include the Alzheimer's Association, Ganfer& Shore LP, and Perfect Building Maintenance.

About Cassidy Turley

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About LEED

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USGBC was co-founded by current President and CEO Rick Fedrizzi, who spent 25 years as a Fortune 500 executive. Under his 15-year leadership, the organization has become the preeminent green building, membership, policy, standards, influential, education and research organization in the nation. For more information, visit www.usgbc.org.

About AEW

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