



## **CodeGreen assists George Comfort in achieving LEED status for two buildings**

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According to sustainability consulting firm CodeGreen Solutions, that under their guidance, George Comfort & Sons-owned and managed buildings at 498 7th Ave. and 200 Madison Ave. have achieved LEED status. The properties, 498 7th Ave. and 200 Madison Ave., earned LEED-EB Gold and LEED-EB Silver certification, respectively. With 900,000 s/f at 498 7th Ave. and 650,000 s/f at 200 Madison Ave., the two buildings have added over 1.65 million s/f of LEED-EB space to NYC's tally.

CodeGreen was able to minimize water usage at both 498 7th Ave. and 200 Madison Ave., resulting in a total baseline water reduction rate of 15% from the LEED standard. Both buildings also purchased 62.5% green power and upheld an ongoing consumables recycling rate of over 50%. Close attention was also paid to the types of products used, and over 60% of all cleaning supplies at both locations have sustainability attributes.

Energy efficiency played a major role in the LEED certification of the two buildings, and both were able to earn Energy Star Labels in 2012. CodeGreen Solutions performed ASHRAE Level 2 Energy Audits and Retro-Commissioning Studies at both .

"Through the LEED process at 498 7th Ave. and 200 Madison Ave., George Comfort demonstrated its commitment to sustainability, energy efficiency, and creating healthy and productive work environments for its tenants," said Harry Etra, a senior project manager at CodeGreen Solutions.

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