

SL Green recycles 164,000 s/f of carpet at 100 Church Street

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SL Green Realty Corp. has recycled 164,000 s/f of carpet as part of recent tenant office construction at 100 Church St. This achievement plays an integral part of SL Green's ongoing commitment to recycle carpet and ceiling tile throughout its portfolio, increasing total program recycling to more than 3.2 million s/f, more than 1,086 tons of waste, since its inception in 2007.

"We are pleased with the ongoing success by SL Green's construction team to find innovative opportunities to divert waste from landfills," said Edward Piccinich, executive VP, management & construction at SL Green. "SL Green consistently recycles materials such as scrap metal, lamps, and other construction debris during all projects. The inclusion of carpet and ceiling tile has significantly improved project recycling by an additional 25%"

In 2007, SL Green teamed up with N.J.-based recycling contractor Carpet Cycle, who specializes in the collection/recycling of carpet and ceiling tile. Often working with SL Green's demolition contractors, Carpet Cycle collects these materials for use in new 2nd generation products including new ceiling tile products, car parts with recycled plastic content, and waste to energy initiatives.

"With no impact to cost or schedule, SL Green has proven that recycling of carpet and ceiling tile can be successfully integrated within all construction projects, whether 500, 50,000, or 500,000 s/f," said Jay Black, SL green director of sustainability. "SL Green recognizes the importance of recycling, and through this significant achievement, we will continue to explore new opportunities to further reduce construction waste."

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