



## **WSP Commissioning Practice wins USGBC's Best of Buildings' Award**

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WSP has been named Best Commissioning Provider in the United States Green Building Council's (USGBC) first annual Best of Buildings awards, according to Steve Burrows, WSP's executive VP and USA director of buildings.

The Best of Building Awards celebrates the year's best products, projects, organizations and individuals making an impact in green building. Nominees and winners were selected exclusively by the members of USGBC, a community of 13,000 of the world's leading organizations invested in sustainability.

A full list of winners is available at [usgbc.org](http://usgbc.org).

WSP's commissioning practice is an outgrowth of the firm's expertise in engineering construction, high performance building, and construction management. Today, WSP has 32 dedicated commissioning professionals nationwide, who provide thorough "debugging" of building systems, from design through installation, to ensure efficient operations on an ongoing basis.

Some of the projects on which the commissioning team has worked include MGM Mirage CityCenter in Las Vegas, including five separate LEED certifications; NASA Ames Research Center in Mountain View, CA, LEED Platinum; multiple projects for North Shore LIJ Health System in New Hyde Park, NY, all of which must obtain a minimum of LEED Silver; Haliburton's North Belt and Oak Park campuses in Houston, TX, with multiple projects certified or seeking LEED Gold; and the Albert Sherman Center at UMASS Medical School, LEED Gold, to name just a few.

"We have always viewed commissioning as a critical component of the engineering lifecycle, and integrate it, wherever possible, into building projects of all types," said Burrows. "It's an honor for our longstanding commitment to commissioning to be recognized by the USGBC."

Senior vice president Paul Meyer, who heads WSP's national commissioning practice, echoes this sentiment. "The award means a lot to us," he says. "It tells us that our efforts to provide our clients with the most advanced and effective commissioning techniques have met with success."

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