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Central Ohio Chapter of International Facility Management Association to Offer First LEED-EB Accreditation Course and Test Program

Participants save on travel, time and may be LEED-EB accredited by year end

COLUMBUS, Ohio – August 20, 2008 – J.D. Flaherty, Jr., President of Construction Systems Inc. and President of the Central Ohio Chapter of The International Facility Management Association (IFMA) announced today the development of a professional accreditation preparation program for The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design - Existing Buildings (LEED-EB) exam.

The LEED Green Building Rating System™ encourages and accelerates global adoption of sustainable green building and development practices through the creation and implementation of universally understood and accepted tools and performance criteria.

LEED for Existing Buildings helps building owners and operators measure operation, improvements and maintenance on a consistent scale, with the goal of maximizing operational efficiency while minimizing environmental impacts. It address whole-building cleaning and maintenance issues (including chemical use), recycling programs, exterior maintenance programs, and systems upgrades. It can be applied both to existing buildings seeking LEED certification for the first time and to projects previously certified under LEED for New Construction, Schools, or Core & Shell.

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“Central Ohio IFMA is pleased to offer this program to prepare our local construction and facility management professionals as well as owners to gain the LEED-EB accreditation. This is especially important as new construction slows and the number of renovation projects increase in Central Ohio,” stated J.D. Flaherty.

The LEED-EB exam is extremely challenging making the preparation course critically important in the process. Since the course is offered locally, participants will save on travel expense and down time from the office.

Eric Elizondo, AIA, LEED® AP, was the course designer and will instruct the class. Registration is currently open to Professional and Associate Members of IFMA and will be open to the public after August 22, 2008.

The preparation class begins on September 15 and will continue for an 8-week period. Two duplicate classes will be offered each week on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The class will be held at the Dupler Office at 330 W. Spring Street, Suite 150 near Downtown Columbus.

Two test dates will be offered in November following the preparation course and will be held at ProMetric in Worthington. Continuing Education Units (CEU) and CFM Certification Maintenance Points are available with completion. For additional information or to register go to www.ifmacentralohio.org/leed.

About International Facility Management Association

IFMA is the world's largest international association for professional facility managers, supporting more than 19,000 members in 60 countries. The association's members represented in 125 chapters and 15 councils worldwide, manage more than 37 billion square feet of property and annually purchase more than \$100 billion in products and services. Formed in 1980, IFMA certifies facility managers, conducts research, provides educational programs and recognizes facility management degree and certificate programs. The Central Ohio IFMA Chapter has 206 members.

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About Construction Systems Inc.

Construction Systems Inc. (CSI) is a commercial general trades and specialties subcontractor, and a leading facilities renovation contractor. CSI also serves as the exclusive central Ohio installation contractor for Haworth TecCrete™ raised flooring products. CSI serves central and southeastern Ohio from its headquarters in Columbus Ohio. CSI self-performs general trades work, and with 110 employees, CSI is one of Central Ohio's largest employers of skilled craftsmen. Celebrating its 40th anniversary in the building industry, CSI has completed over 12,000 projects and worked in hundreds of buildings in central Ohio. For more information about any of CSI's service offerings, projects or company contacts visit www.ConSysOhio.com or call 614-252-0708.

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