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**Metal Design Systems Releases LEED 2009 Certified New Building Project Guidelines**

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa (8/26/09) – This guideline provides a summary of the USGBC's<sup>1</sup> new LEED 2009 green building rating program. It offers an overview of how metal products from Metal Design Systems, Inc. can contribute toward a LEED certified building project.

To earn LEED certification, a building must meet certain requirements and benchmarks related to the building's performance. Points are awarded for credits in each of the seven key areas.

A wall panel system is only one component of an integrated building design program. LEED takes into account the building envelope and interior design technologies that affect the energy usage, environmental impact, and social quality of the design, construction and operation of a building.

"It is essential we provide customers with our LEED guidelines," said President Kreg Tjelmeland "we have always had a green product and can assist customers with additional LEED points."

Metal Design Systems Inc. is one of the leading aluminum composite fabricators in the Midwest United States. They work directly with architects, general contractors and installers to produce streamlined aluminum composite wall panel systems, column covers, canopies and cornices. For more information about the systems, call 866-442-6803 or visit the web site at [www.metaldesignsystems.com](http://www.metaldesignsystems.com).

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