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LEED CERTIFICATION:

The way that buildings today are conceived is very different from just a few years ago! The community is much more aware of environmental issues, and steps are being taken to preserve them.

The LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System™ is the nationally-accepted benchmark for the design, construction, and operation of high performance green buildings. LEED gives building owners and operators the tools they need to have an immediate and measurable impact on their buildings' performance.

LEED promotes a whole-building approach to sustainability by recognizing performance in five key areas of human and environmental health: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection, and indoor environmental quality. LEED provides a roadmap for measuring and documenting success for every building type and phase of a building lifecycle. For more information, visit their website @ www.usgbc.org/

Architects Gary Guy Wilson, A.I.A., and Mark V. Martino, are currently working to obtain their certification.

What are the levels of the LEED Rating System?

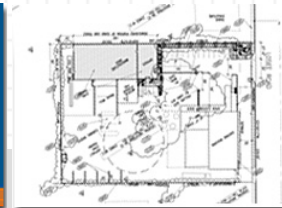
Once a project has been registered with LEED, there are four rating system levels, beginning with basic Certification. Once a project has met further prerequisites and performance benchmarks, additional points are added. Silver, Gold, and Platinum Certification levels can then be achieved.

The LEED Rating System was created to transform the built environment to sustainability by providing the building industry with consistent, credible standards for what constitutes a "green building".

The rating system was developed and is continuously refined via an open, consensus-based process.

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SPOTLIGHT

Client: Patrick Hanley @ Airgas, Inc.

GGWArchitects client, Patrick Hanley of Airgas, began his career in the "compressed gas" industry in 1989, when he joined General Welding Supply in Gardena, California. However, several other exciting positions preceded his arrival there.

Pat was with Shell Petroleum in his hometown of Placerville, CA. for 8 years. After starting as a truck driver, he built gas stations and managed and dispatched the plant. Pat worked for a time for Mobile Oil Company, as well. Pat then joined the U.S. Department of Agriculture as a fire fighter in Placerville.

However, Pat went for a change of scenery and moved to the El Segundo area of Southern California for 10 years. He landed a spot at General Welding Supply. He made a number of progressions within the company, going from driving trucks to filling cylinders.

In 1993, Airgas bought General Welding Supply. Pat made a transfer to the Alameda facility, where he acted as a loader and again filled cylinders. Other titles he held were Lead Man, Shift Supervisor, and Production Supervisor. When the Las Vegas Airgas facility opened, Pat was "encouraged" to accept a position here. That was in April, 1999. He was a bit dismayed, when his shoes stuck to the asphalt in the 115+ degree climate. However, he's since adjusted and has never regretted the move. In fact, it is where he met his wife, Yvonne, while bowling on a league. The 2 now have a son, Patrick, who is 2 1/2.

Today Pat, as Operations Manager for Airgas, oversees the Losee Road facility with its cylinder-filling and transportation operations. He also handles the forklift and distribution to 2 valley Airgas branches. All-in-all, Pat manages a staff of about 19.

Pat remarks that GGWArchitects "has done a good job, keeping everything on time." Though he has worked with Architect Wilson and BDP, Les. W. Travis; he meets regularly with Project Architect, Mark V. Martino, for project updates. "It's been a pleasant experience." Thanks, Pat! It has been that for us, too!

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Project: Airgas Facility @ Losee Road

The expansion of the Airgas facility @ 3560 Losee Road, making it 10,600 square feet of administrative and production space, is well underway. It will include 2,200 square feet of office and conference room space. The grading and underground work will be followed by pouring the concrete slab in October.

Next up will be the concrete masonry exterior shell and framing. Architect Gary Guy Wilson anticipates the project to be completed by year-end.

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