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Building Knowledge Inc. Selected by U.S. Green Building Council to Serve Minnesota Green Home Construction Market

Minneapolis, MN - August, 2008 - Minneapolis based [Building Knowledge Inc.](http://www.buildingknowledge.com) has been selected by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) to serve the local market as a LEED for Homes Provider . [LEED for Homes](http://www.usgbc.org) is national third-party certification system for energy efficient, healthy, green homes. LEED for Homes Providers are selected by USGBC based on their demonstrated experience and expertise in green homebuilding as well as their commitment to their local community. Providers are responsible for serving as a resource for builders and for overseeing qualified green home raters who complete the onsite reviews required for certification under LEED.

“We have a passion for helping people and companies improve the quality of homes - homes that are durable, comfortable, safe, and healthy, and that are better for the environment and the economy,” said Ed VonThoma, President of Building Knowledge Inc. “Building Knowledge provides technical, marketing and verification support services to builders along with third-party verification services, including both on-site reviews and performance testing necessary for LEED certification.”

LEED certification provides third-party assurance to homebuyers that their home complies with rigorous technical requirements for energy and water efficiency, indoor air quality, non-toxic materials, and environmental performance. Typical green home features include high efficiency heating and cooling systems and windows; nontoxic paints and adhesives; recycled and renewable building materials; and drought-resistant landscaping that does not require irrigation.

Building Knowledge Inc. (BKI) is an industry-leading privately held company of building experts and educators, whose mission is to provide ideas and solutions to improve the quality of homes. Our team consists of some of the industry’s leading experts in: Green building; Building science; Designing, building and selling high performance homes; and Mechanical and systems engineering. We’re proud to say that some of the industry’s best building experts and educators work with BKI. It’s our team’s experience that allows us to help our clients to build better homes, and better businesses.

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