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## MEDIA RELEASE

### LOS ANGELES CONVENTION CENTER WINS THE GREEN BUILDING AWARD

**July 5, 2011 (Los Angeles, CA)** – It was a successful day for the Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) as it was awarded the Green Building award at the Los Angeles Business Council’s 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Los Angeles Architectural Awards event. Taking place at the JW Marriott at L.A. Live, 42 winning projects displayed their outstanding exhibits which covered an overall 20 categories.



LACC has significantly contributed towards Mayor Villaraigosa’s vision to transform the City of Los Angeles into the “greenest” big city in the nation. When LACC exceeded its initial expectations and was awarded the prestigious U.S. Green Building Council’s LEED Gold certification for existing buildings, it became the largest convention center of its size and age in the nation to achieve this milestone. “The Los Angeles Convention Center is proud to be a part of the Los Angeles Business Council’s awards. It was an honor being amongst the best of the architectural community,” said Pouria Abbassi, P.E., CEO and General Manager of the Los Angeles Convention Center.

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“Receiving this award has embraced the LACC team’s dedication to environmental stewardship,” Abbassi added. With a call for entries going out to more than 7,000 industry leaders, the Los Angeles Convention center is honored to have been selected for the Los Angeles Architectural Awards amongst the jury of 14 notable design and building professionals.

### **About the Los Angeles Architectural Awards**

This year, the Los Angeles Business Council (LABC) is hosting the 41<sup>st</sup> annual Los Angeles Architectural Awards, recognizing the project teams responsible for the City’s very best architecture. Selected by a jury of 14 notable design and building professionals, the winning projects cut across a wide range of building types, from commercial office spaces to affordable apartment complexes to sports arenas. Winning projects must have been completed within the last two calendar years, with the exception of projects in the “Under Construction” and “Design Concept” categories. Projects designated “Under Construction” must have begun the construction process by December 2010. Projects not yet under construction as of December 2010 were placed in the “Design Concept” category.

### **About the Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC)**

The Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) is one of the most technologically advanced convention and exhibition centers in the world. LACC attracts over 2.5 million visitors annually and is renowned internationally as a prime site for conventions, trade shows and exhibitions. An integral economic component to the Southern California area, total sales from client secondary spending tops \$1.1 billion annually, generating and sustaining over 12,000 local jobs. LACC is a model environmental-friendly facility, holding the prestigious US Green Building Council LEED-EB GOLD Certification. LACC is also a Bronze Level recipient of the 2010 California Award for Performance Excellence (CAPE), Eureka Award. For more information, visit [www.lacclink.com](http://www.lacclink.com).

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