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Mr. Roland McPherson, PE
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RE: HRACRE 2008 Excellence in Development Design Awards
Best Sustainable Design Project, Award of Excellence
Little Creek Police Security & Operations Facility

Dear Mr. McPherson:

The 12th Annual Hampton Roads Association for Commercial Real Estate's (HRACRE) Excellence in Development Design Awards gala was held last evening, October 23, at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott in downtown Norfolk. We were fortunate to be recognized for one of our teams' projects: Little Creek Police Security and Operations Facility.

Little Creek Police Security and Operations Facility received an Award of Excellence, the top award in the Best Sustainable Design Project category. Juror comments included *"They went above and beyond what they were asked to achieve. Easily achieved LEED Silver certification when only the basic was required"*

I have enclosed the certificate that your firm received for being a part of this award-winning team. I have also enclosed the relevant parts of the Design Awards Supplement to appear in an upcoming issue of Inside Business Magazine.

Thank you for being a part of the team and congratulations!

RRMM Architects

Brian E. Bonson
Director of Marketing



The Hampton Roads Association
for Commercial Real Estate

Excellence in Development Design Award

McPherson Design Group

is hereby presented an

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

for

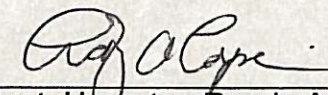
Police Security & Operations Facility

for

Best Sustainable Design Project

on this twenty-third day of October 2008


Co-Chair
Award Selection Committee


President, Hampton Roads Association
for Commercial Real Estate

Best Sustainable Design Project - Award of Excellence

Police Security and Operations Facility

Owner/Developer: U.S. Department of the Navy (NAVFAC Midlant)
Architect: RRMM Architects
Contractor: VIRTEXCO Corporation

Located on Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek in Norfolk, the Police Security and Operations Facility is one of the first DoD projects that shows environmentally appropriate design and construction work well with the Navy's goals. The facility includes three buildings totaling approximately 25,000 square feet of new construction on a previously developed site. Completed in January 2008, it achieved a Silver Rating under the USGBC's LEED-NC v2.1 program on a fixed budget using standard construction practices and off-the-shelf materials. The concrete-masonry and structural-steel building clad with brick veneer includes spaces for administration, investigative operations, classroom training, laboratory functions, detention, armory and locker rooms. During construction, live oaks and a stand of mixed trees were protected. Carpooling and ultra-low-emission vehicles get preferred parking. Dry retention ponds filter and infiltrate stormwater. Waterless urinals and low-flow fixtures reduce the use of potable water. The main building was sited to work with solar orientation. Energy-saving features include an efficient chiller and boiler, a highly reflective roof, a high-performance building envelope and occupancy sensors to control electric lighting. Eco-friendly features include tankless water heaters, FSC-certified wood and materials with low chemical emissions.

Judges' comments: They went above and beyond what they were asked to achieve. Easily achieved LEED Silver certification when only basic was required.



Best Master Planned Project - Award of Merit

ODU University Village

Owner/Developer: ODU Real Estate Foundation
Planner: Ayers/Saint/Gross
Architect: Tymoff + Moss Architects

About 12 years ago, the vision for the University Village master plan was to create a living city environment that would bridge the campus and the surrounding community with a new mixed-use development. To do this, 30 blocks of property had to be acquired by the Old Dominion University Real Estate Foundation. Each block was diverse in its ownership and physical state, making the negotiation process a difficult and continuing process. However, a core of buildings and services has arisen with increasing momentum in the past several years, including two 95,000-square-foot research buildings, 960 student housing beds, 50,000-square-feet of retail space, a 43,000-square-foot University Bookstore, 2,200 structured parking spaces, an art gallery, shops and a 114-suite hotel. Careful attention was given to the streetscape, including brick-paved sidewalks, unified pedestrian-style street lighting and benches. The overall feeling is one of connection to both the adjacent campus and neighborhoods. Today, University Village is approximately 60 percent developed. More business establishments and student housing are in the planning stages. The master plan has become a catalyst for growth and a welcomed provider of amenities to Norfolk and Old Dominion University.

Judges' comments: Excellent transformation of an auto-oriented zone into a pedestrian-oriented neighborhood. Great streetscapes and public realm. Created opportunity for sidewalk seating.





**2008 EXCELLENCE IN
DEVELOPMENT DESIGN AWARDS
Best Sustainable Design Project
Award Of Excellence**

LITTLE CREEK POLICE SECURITY & OPERATIONS FACILITY



RRMM Architects - Architect/Planner
VIRTEXCO Corporation - Contractor
Bowman, Foster & Associates, PC - Mechanical/Electrical Engineer
GET Solutions - Geotechnical Engineer
James Adcock Photography - Photographer

U.S. Department of the Navy - Owner
McPherson Design Group - Structural Engineer
Hoggard-Eure Associates, PC - Civil Engineer/Landscape
Hughes Associates - Fire Protection Engineer