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## 3009 Post Oak Pioneers LEED Platinum Certification in the Galleria

**Houston, Texas** – One of the galleria's newest commercial office buildings, located at 3009 Post Oak, is now LEED Platinum Certified. The 20-story, 302,000-sf building employs numerous sustainable building strategies that have helped transform a derelict parking lot into a vibrant, pedestrian-friendly urban site. 3009 Post Oak is the first LEED Platinum office building in the Galleria area and one of only a handful of LEED Platinum buildings in the city.

## Some key metrics include:

- 100% of the site's irrigation is provided from rainwater stored in an underground tank
- The side of the site facing Interstate 610 was planted with dozens of native grasses intended to attract birds and butterflies
- Indoor water use was reduced by 46% over a typical existing building
- 70% of power for the project comes from renewable sources
- 87% of construction waste was recycled
- 38% of all materials used were local-- both manufactured and harvested within 500 miles of Houston
- The building was designed to provide daylight access to 83% of interior spaces, and views to 99% of spaces
- The exterior site lighting was designed for zero light trespass off the property boundary and zero light projected upwards. This contributes to a dark night sky and respects the surrounding residential neighbors
- Energy savings are 26% better than code requirements
- The building includes a dashboard that monitors building and tenant energy use levels
- The high performance curtainwall uses low emitting, double pane glazing with thermally improved mullions

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