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RiverHeath Selected for Department of Energy Grant

APPLETON (November 2, 2009) — The United States Department of Energy announced that RiverHeath has been selected for a grant to support the installation of an innovative geothermal exchange system. The geothermal exchange system will heat and cool the buildings in the neighborhood. RiverHeath is one of three commercial real estate projects across the country to win geothermal grant funding from the Department of Energy. RiverHeath will negotiate the details of the award over the next few months and will begin construction on the system in early 2010.

“Geothermal exchange is an incredibly simple and powerful technology that will drop our heating and cooling costs substantially,” said Mark Geall of Tanesay Development. “We learned about DOE’s grant program this spring, just after we had completed a renewable energy feasibility study. We have an amazing team working on this project, and they pulled together and completed the application in less than a month.”

Tanesay worked with several firms, public agencies, and the City of Appleton to complete the application. Sustainable Engineering Group, a Madison-based design consultancy, completed the renewable energy study that formed the basis of the application. Wisconsin architecture firm Engberg Anderson incorporated the geothermal exchange system into the building and site design. Oscar J. Boldt Construction refined the design in conversation with geothermal contractors in the field and its in-house engineering team. In addition to the firms mentioned above, several public agencies wrote letters of support. Mark Giesfeldt, Director for the Bureau of Remediation and Redevelopment for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, wrote that the project will be a beneficial reuse of an industrial brownfield site that dates back to the 1800s. United States Congressman Steve Kagen wrote a letter emphasizing that the project will have a significant economic impact and will create valuable green infrastructure jobs. Congressman Kagen also stated that RiverHeath will serve as a model for energy efficiency in future projects. From the City of Appleton, Karen

Harkness, Director of Community Development, wrote that the City has been working on this project since the fall of 2006 and that the public private partnership will result in a vibrant mixed-use waterfront urban infill neighborhood that will further the national conversation on renewable energy and sustainable development. When Harkness learned of that the DOE grant was successful, she stated: “This is wonderful news for the City of Appleton and its plan to redevelop the Fox River waterfront.”

The geothermal exchange system will be one part of RiverHeath’s reliance on sustainable and renewable energies. In addition, Kaukauna Utilities will continue to operate an on-site hydroelectric facility. Domestic hot water will be generated by a district passive solar system. Solar photovoltaics will supplement the electricity generated by the hydro-electric plant. Residents and businesses on site will be able to monitor their energy usage through a constantly updating website.

For more information on RiverHeath, please visit www.RiverHeath.com or the sales office located on the ground floor of the Zuelke Building in Appleton.

For more information about architecture firm Engberg Anderson, please visit www.EngbergAnderson.com.

For more information about renewable design consultancy Sustainable Engineering Inc., please visit www.sustaineng.com.

For more information about the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, please visit www.dnr.state.wi.us.

For more information about United States Congressman Steve Kagen, please visit <http://kagen.house.gov/>.

For more information about the City of Appleton, please visit www.appleton.org.

Tanesay Development is a privately-held company that brings new life to old neighborhoods. For more information, visit www.tanesay.com.

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