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St. Paul, Minn. — Harris Companies, mechanical contractors, announced its 25th employee has received the designation of a LEED Accredited Professional. This marks the achievement of Harris' 2008 goal of having 25 employees with the designation of LEED AP by the end of the year.

LEED Professional Accreditation is a voluntary designation achieved by individuals who have passed the LEED Professional Accreditation exam. Harris currently has several study materials available for the preparation and taking of the exam. All employees are encouraged to become accredited in order to enhance their knowledge of sustainable design and construction and to further their professional development.

Interest in green design continues to grow, and so does the demand for LEED AP participation in sustainable projects. Harris has had the opportunity to put these new skills to use through their involvement in the St. Olaf College Science Building, Mercedes Benz of Arrowhead and American Iron projects as well as their St. Paul Headquarters, which are all seeking or have obtained LEED certification. Three Harris employees also have their CEM (Certified Energy Manager) and several more are pursuing this designation. This certification focuses specifically on energy efficiency and the economic value of those efforts.

Based in St. Paul, Minnesota, the Harris Companies are one of the largest mechanical contractors in the United States. They design, build, install, control, and maintain piping, plumbing, heating, ventilating, air conditioning, and electrical systems. As design-build and design-assist specialists, they partner with general contractors and other customers across the country on a variety of complex, time-critical projects.

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