

PROGRESS SOFTWARE GLOBAL HQ NOW LEED CERTIFIED

Progress Software Corporation (NASDAQ: PRGS), a leading software provider that enables enterprises to be operationally responsive, is pleased to announce that its Bedford, Massachusetts properties were granted LEED Certification for Existing Buildings Operations and Maintenance (LEED EB O&M) by the United States Green Building Council (USGBC) in February 2012. 14-16 Oak Park Drive has been awarded LEED Gold, and 12 Oak Park Drive received LEED Certification. Built in 1981, the buildings are located along the Shawsheen River Conservation Area, approximately 30 miles northwest of Boston.

"For several years, Progress has focused on resource conservation and preservation tactics that provide solid economic and environment return," said Paul Rice, senior director of corporate services at Progress Software. "It is an honor to be recognized for our additional environmental achievements. Our efforts show that sustainable practices are good for the environment and bottom line savings."

Only one percent of all existing buildings in the United States are certified under LEED EB O&M. According to the USGBC, because buildings account for 40% of primary energy use, 39% of CO2 emissions, and 13% of potable water consumption, the performance of existing buildings is an important step toward improving the overall sustainability of our environment. Progress Software's year-long retrofit certification process included evaluation of each building's operating efficiency and utility consumption, as well as the environmental impact of all operations, maintenance, construction and the health and welfare of the building and its occupants. As part of the certification process, Progress Software also earned EnergyStar ratings for building energy performance by the Environmental Protection Agency.

"Only 11 buildings in Massachusetts are certified under the latest version of the LEED-EB:OM rating system, and two of these are at Progress Software," said John Stokes, project coordinator and sustainability specialist from Sebesta Blomberg's Woburn, MA office. "We applaud Progress for setting the bar high and working diligently to achieve this accomplishment at its Bedford campus."