

Aardex receives double LEED Platinum for Signature Centre

Aardex LLC, a full-service design and construction services firm, received its second LEED Platinum certification from the U.S. Green Building Council for Commercial Interiors at the Signature Centre at Denver West. The Signature Centre is located at 14143 Denver West Parkway.

Our headquarters at Signature Centre are now LEED Platinum inside and out. And, we did it at standard construction costs,” said Aardex Chief Executive Officer Rick Butler, whose firm developed, designed, constructed and now manages the Signature Centre. “Sustainability is about common sense, not extra costs.” Signature Centre won the NAIOP “Green Development of the Year Award” for 2008.

LEED promotes a whole-building approach to sustainability by recognizing performance in five key areas of human and environmental health: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, material selection and indoor environmental quality.

The first certification is LEED Platinum CS (Core and Shell) for the Signature Centre. This is a five-story, 185,000-square-



Signature Centre at Denver West is one of only 2 buildings in the world to achieve a double LEED Platinum rating by the United States Green Building Council.

foot structure, featuring under-floor air throughout the building with individual temperature and ventilation controls. Daylight harvesting via interior and exterior light shelving, abundant glass and individual lighting showcase the many features promoting productivity and creativity in this state-of-the-art workplace. The building’s performance for 2008 showed energy usage at 35% less than a building of comparable size.

The second certification is LEED Platinum CI (Commercial Interiors) for Aardex headquarters at Signature Centre. The space was recognized

for its water savings, use of recycled materials, its energy performance and its indoor environmental quality. The space also utilizes demountable wall systems for flexibility and speed when reconfiguring space in an ever-changing business environment.