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Building & Land Technology Named Business Leader for Energy Efficiency

JULY 13, 2011, New Britain, Conn. – The Connecticut Energy Efficiency Fund is pleased to announce that Stamford-based Building & Land Technology (BLT) was recognized as a Business Leader for Energy Efficiency at the recent Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships (NEEP) Summit in Warwick, R.I. The company was awarded for its expansive efforts to accelerate energy efficiency in its mixed-use facilities, resulting in annual energy cost savings of over \$70,000. It was nominated by the Energy Efficiency Fund in partnership with Yankee Gas.

The second-generation real estate development company successfully combined today's energy efficiency technology with historic architectural design through the recent renovation of The Lofts at Yale and Towne, a 225-unit rental apartment complex located at the 100-year-old Yale Lock factory in Stamford. Through programs supported by the Energy Efficiency Fund and supported by Yankee Gas and Connecticut Light & Power, BLT developed and preserved a historic building which is 10 percent more efficient than the required building energy code specifications.

Much of the energy savings achieved are due to the installation of high efficiency natural gas fired condensing boilers that provide the building with heat. Additionally, more than 53,000 square feet of one inch thick, insulated Low "E" glass was installed to maximize efficiency and preserve The Lofts' historic nine foot high windows. Other design measures included high efficiency lighting in the parking garage, automated heating systems maximizing various climate controls, and hot water pumps. Operation of the building's efficiency measures is maintained through the facility's advanced building management system.

BLT participated in the Energy Conscious Blueprint and Energy Opportunities programs. These programs provided financial incentives to offset the premium costs of energy-efficient equipment and building practices. BLT's \$287,000 incentive enabled them to save enough natural gas and electricity each year to equal approximately 316 tons of avoided carbon dioxide emissions, which is the equivalent of taking 55 cars off the road for a year.

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“BLT is a great example of how the Energy Efficiency Fund offers programs that provide both electric and natural gas energy savings,” said Richard Steeves, Chairman of the Energy Efficiency Board. “Congratulations to BLT for utilizing a comprehensive approach to energy efficiency.”

Other Connecticut businesses recognized at the event included PTI Industries Inc., Enfield and Westfield Trumbull Shopping Center, Trumbull.

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