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Somerville Condo Complex Receives LEED Silver Certification

Yesterday

GFC Development Corp.'s Endicott Residences, in Somerville, has been awarded LEED Silver certification by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) for achievement in green homebuilding and design.

"As a LEED certified home, GFC's Endicott Residences is a model for greener living for the entire community," said Nate Kredich, vice president of residential market development for the U.S. Green Building Council. "The home is at the national forefront of quality; and GFC's example can help us all to live better by reducing our environmental footprint, cutting our utility bills, and coming home to a healthier place to live."

Endicott Residences, at 57 Endicott Ave. in Somerville, is one of 40 local homes to carry the LEED Silver Home certification, according to a statement.

Architect The MZO Group and environmental consultant Conservation Services Group worked with GFC Development to create the contemporary, three-unit loft-style green condominium. Endicott Residences was completed in June 2009 and sold out within one month of listing, according to a statement.

"Endicott Residences' LEED Silver certification represents a major achievement in our growing environmental construction business," said Charles Aggouras, president of GFC Development Corp. "We are excited to be part of the national movement toward sustainable, healthier living, starting in our home city of Boston."

Endicott Residences features cellulose and icynene high efficiency insulation; large Marvin, Low Energy Star windows; an Energy Star Carrier HVAC System; flooring made from 100 percent renewable bamboo; a white membrane roofing system to reduce heating and cooling costs; low VOC paint and carpets; compact, energy-saving florescent lighting; FSC certified decking and low flow water fixtures, according to a statement.