



**OFFICE DEPOT
AUSTIN, TX**

37% energy cost savings

40% reduced water use

80% of construction waste diverted from the landfill

LEED® Facts

Office Depot
Austin, TX

LEED for New Construction (Retail)
Certification awarded December 18, 2008

Gold	46*
Sustainable Sites	9/16
Water Efficiency	3/5
Energy & Atmosphere	13/15
Materials & Resources	7/13
Indoor Environmental Quality	9/14
Innovation & Design	5/5

*Out of a possible 70 points

The information provided is based on that stated in the LEED® project certification submittal. USGBC and Chapters do not warrant or represent the accuracy of this information. Each building's actual performance is based on its unique design, construction, operation, and maintenance. Energy efficiency and sustainable results will vary.



A GREENER RETAIL ENVIRONMENT

Innovative Strategies Bring Retailer to Height of Environmental Design

Office Depot prototype project demonstrates retail stores going green

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Office Depot's marketing slogan "Taking Care of Business" inspired a new direction for the retailer: Taking Care of the Planet. As a part of its effort to become a better corporate citizen and environmental steward, Office Depot committed to implementing a global strategy to increasingly buy green, be green and sell green. The mission inspired the decision to pursue volume pre-certification under the LEED Portfolio Program for its store prototype design. The Austin, Texas store is the first LEED certified retail location in the company's 1,705 store portfolio.

STRATEGIES AND RESULTS

In 2007, Office Depot began aggregating its environmental performance indicators and determined that its facilities in North America, which total over 39 million square feet of commercial real estate, was responsible for significant carbon emissions and a solid-waste footprint. Aligning with its global commitment to environmental stewardship and its desire to reduce long-term operating costs, Office Depot certified its Anderson Lane location in Texas through the volume certification process, which will serve as a prototype for future new construction retail locations.

The Austin outpost of Office Depot features a highly-reflective membrane roof that reflects sunlight and cools the store, requiring less energy for air conditioning. As a retail location with thousands of visitors weekly, Office Depot took advantage of the opportunity to educate its pool of customers by displaying signage throughout the store explaining the green strategies in use. Customers and employees are able to learn about the high-efficiency heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) units; the water-efficient fixtures in the restrooms; the locally sourced and recycled materials throughout the space; and the skylights that adjust with the sun and provide natural daylighting.

The Anderson Lane location also offers a wide assortment of merchandise from its green line, which sold \$1.6 billion in the US and Europe in 2007. Office Depot has developed a unique Green Office Checklist which includes links to office supplies, furniture and technology based on LEED EB:O&M Sustainable Purchasing standards. Additionally they have created a detailed LEED-EB Credit Report that documents Sustainable Purchasing of office supplies, technology, and furniture in USGBC's format. The store offers refurbished shopping carts for customers and has a comprehensive in-store recycling center where customers can recycle cell phones, rechargeable batteries, ink and toner cartridges, paper and electronics. Store employees are encouraged to take alternative transportation to work, and they have bicycle pumps and free tire patches at their disposal.

ABOUT OFFICE DEPOT

Office Depot provides more office products and services to more customers in more countries than any other company. Incorporated in 1986 and headquartered in Delray Beach, Fla., Office Depot has annual sales of over \$15.4 billion, and employs approximately 52,000 associates around the world. Currently, the Company sells to customers directly or through affiliates in 43 countries.

"Office Depot has an environmental vision to increasingly buy green, be green and sell green. While we have already achieved dramatic reductions in carbon emissions from our existing facilities, this new store takes us to a completely new level of energy efficiency, carbon reduction and waste reduction."

Yalmaz Siddiqui, Director of Environmental Strategy for Office Depot



Architect: SBLM Architects, PC
Civil Engineer: Kimley Horn
Commissioning Agent: ACR
Contractor: JR Heineman and Sons, Inc.
Developer: Office Depot
LEED Consultant: SBLM Architects, PC
MEP Engineer: Henderson Engineers, Inc.
Owner: Office Depot
Structural Engineer: Hart, Gaugler & Associates
Project Size: 20,898 sq ft

Photography Courtesy of: SBLM Architects, PC

ABOUT LEED

The LEED® Green Building Rating System™ is the national benchmark for the design, construction, and operations of high-performance green buildings. Visit the U.S. Green Building Council's Web site at www.usgbc.org to learn more about LEED and green building.



www.usgbc.org
 1-800-795-1747