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WELLS FARGO OPENS WACO'S FIRST LEED® SILVER CERTIFIED BANKING STORE

Built Using Methods to Help Protect and Conserve Natural Resources

WACO, Texas, Oct. 21, 2009 – Wells Fargo & Company (NYSE: WFC) announced today that it opened Waco's first LEED® (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver certified retail banking store. The new store reflects Wells Fargo's new building standards for its newly-built retail banking stores, designed to help protect and conserve natural resources.

Features of the new store at 300 Franklin Avenue:

- Light harvesting system, which adjusts lighting according to available daylight helping to reduce energy usage by 20 percent
- Insulation made from recycled cotton, primarily denim
- Bike racks and preferred parking for low emission vehicles
- Fully recyclable carpet, window treatments and counter surfaces
- Use of water saving plumbing fixtures and control devices, which helps to cut water usage by 40 percent*

*Compared to conventional buildings of the same type.

"The construction of this store is part of a broader, companywide commitment to the environment – a commitment we know is shared by the residents of Waco," said Bill Cone, regional president for Wells Fargo's Heart of Texas region. "What's more, this store is a wonderful complement to the revitalization of downtown Waco."

Wells Fargo is one of the first companies to earn LEED for New Construction pre-certification for a prototype building under the Volume Certification program. LEED, a point-based building certification program developed by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high performance green buildings. The Volume Certification program enables companies and building owners to integrate LEED into their new and existing building projects using a cost-effective, streamlined certification process.

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For details about LEED and USGBC, visit www.usgbc.org.

About Wells Fargo

Wells Fargo & Company is a diversified financial services company with \$1.3 trillion in assets, providing banking, insurance, investments, mortgage and consumer finance through more than 10,400 stores, over 12,000 ATMs and the internet (wellsfargo.com) across North America and internationally. The Company promotes economic growth and self-sufficiency, education, social services, the arts and the environment in thousands of communities across North America. In 2008, the Company gave \$226 million in grants to 14,000 nonprofits. Team members contributed 1.4 million volunteer hours and served on 16,000 nonprofit boards. Wells Fargo ranks #1 among banks and insurance companies – and #13 overall – in Newsweek magazine's inaugural Green Rankings of the country's 500-largest companies. Wells Fargo is a member of the U.S. Green Building Council. For more about Wells Fargo's achievements in Social Responsibility: www.wellsfargo.com/about/csr.

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