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NEW LEED RATING SYSTEM TO IMPACT LOCAL GREEN BUILDING

GREENWICH, CT -- The Fairchester Green Building Council (FGBC) will be presenting an educational program on the new LEED rating system, which will be released April 27th. The session is designed for architects, engineers, design teams, building owners, facility managers and other professionals interested in green building solutions. The workshop will be led by Andy Hathaway, a LEED faculty member from Steven Winter Associates in Norwalk, CT and held on April 21st from 5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at 360 Hamilton Avenue in White Plains, NY. Cost is \$10 for members, \$5 for students, and \$20 for non-members. Tickets at the door are \$20. For advance registration, visit www.Fairchesterghbc.org.

LEED Version 3 represents a major evolution in the green building rating system and is a three-part initiative covering LEED Certification, LEED Online and LEED accreditation for professionals. It includes a series of major technological advances focused on improving energy efficiency and a reduction in carbon emissions. It also addresses other human and health outcomes. The new rating system also includes highly anticipated regional credits – extra points identified as priorities within a given environmental zone. Also, there is a re-weighting and reallocating of credits to reflect the urgent priorities of climate change and energy efficiency. The new LEED credentialing program for professionals consists of four levels, up from the single level of LEED AP now attainable.

The mission of the Fairchester Green Building Council is to make sustainable real estate increasingly mainstream by creating a local green building community which can identify and share proven, cost effective local solutions to encourage increased implementation and help green businesses to grow. This non-profit was created in 2008 and focuses on the real estate of Fairfield and Westchester Counties. The FGBC holds regular events to inform and educate professionals on improving the sustainability of their buildings and plans to share expertise from a professional membership with the public in the pursuit of local sustainable solutions.

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