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**PEDCO Professionals Recognized for Commitment to A/E Industry**

**CINCINNATI, OH** — PEDCO E&A Services, Inc. ([www.pedcoea.com](http://www.pedcoea.com)), a full-service engineering and architecture firm, announced today that several key staff members have become LEED Accredited Professionals, one has earned licensure as a Professional Engineer, and one has been elected to serve on the Board of Directors for American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers, adding to PEDCO's long list of significant professional distinctions.

"We are happy to congratulate a number of our leading and senior professionals for their achievements. For PEDCO to continue to deliver reliable solutions and expected results to our valued clients, it is important for the company and our staff to seek ongoing professional training," said William Giesler, President of PEDCO. "The advancement of our professionals, and recognition for their knowledge and commitment to our industry, demonstrates PEDCO's commitment to being a leading design firm in the Greater Cincinnati Region."

Fred Betz, a licensed professional mechanical engineer with PEDCO, was recently elected to the Board of Directors by members of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). Betz will serve a three-year term, from 2007-2010, as Region V Director and Regional Chair. In this role, Betz represents 13 ASHRAE Chapters across Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan.



Randy Watson, a licensed architect with PEDCO for more than 10 years, has also recently earned recognition as a LEED Accredited Professional by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). LEED Professional Accreditation distinguishes Watson with the knowledge and skills to successfully steward the integrated design and LEED certification process on behalf of clients. Watson leads PEDCO's Architecture Group.

Christina Schweizer, a mechanical engineer with PEDCO for six years, has recently earned recognition as a LEED Accredited Professional by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). This accreditation acknowledges that Schweizer has the skills to guide owners in a comprehensive design process that can win LEED certification. Schweizer has also been awarded licensure as a Professional Engineer in the State of Ohio. With this achievement, Schweizer will be called to a higher degree of responsibility with our clients' projects, and can begin to serve in more of a leadership capacity on projects.

Tom Shanks, a licensed professional structural engineer with PEDCO for more than 20 years, has recently earned recognition as a LEED Accredited Professional by the USGBC. In earning this accreditation, Shanks has demonstrated a thorough understanding of green building practices and principles, and is able to deliver LEED requirements, resources, and processes to owners seeking sustainable design for their facility. Shanks leads PEDCO's Industrial Group.

Steve Weidner, a licensed professional mechanical engineer with PEDCO for over 20 years, has recently earned recognition as a LEED Accredited Professional by the USGBC. With this achievement, Steve has distinguished himself among design professionals in the area. This accreditation affirms that Steve has the knowledge and skills to guide owners through a comprehensive design process that can win LEED certification for their facility. Weidner leads PEDCO's Health Care Group.



**About PEDCO E&A Services, Inc.**

*PEDCO E&A Services, Inc. was founded in 1981. With offices located in Cincinnati, Ohio and Fort Wayne, Indiana, PEDCO serves a variety of premier Midwest clients in industries ranging from Corporate, Industrial, and Health Care to Education, Working Environments, and Facility Services. PEDCO's team includes LEED™ accredited professionals and designers of high performance green buildings. Projects range in size from small consulting engagements to comprehensive design services on significant projects.*

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