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## **21 Achieve LEED® Accredited Professional Status at PEDCO**

PEDCO E & A Services, Inc. in Sharonville now has 21 design professionals who have achieved LEED® AP accreditation.

“Sustainable design is in our everyday conversations,” said William Giesler, PEDCO president, “and our goal of engaging in cutting-edge engineering and design includes a commitment to sustainable design for our clients’ money as well as energy conservation and the environment. We need to stay current on all the latest industry knowledge – and LEED® AP is at the top of the list.”

As part of its commitment to providing training for our design community and business partners, PEDCO developed a training program to help professionals achieve LEED® AP. Some of the business partners whom PEDCO has helped include professionals at Resurgence Group, LLC; Jones Lang LaSalle; Cincinnati Bell Technology Solutions; Hunt Builders; CH2M Hill; Hi-Five Development; Hann Architects; P&G; and PFB Architects., Inc.

PEDCO employees who have received LEED® Accreditation include: Mike Anderson of Fort Wayne, Ind.; Floyd Baker of Fairfield; Jeff Balster of Fairfield; Craig Broenner of Springdale; Jerry Doerger of White Oak; Paul Ebken of Edgewood, Kentucky; Randy Ferchen of Evendale; Dave Gilland of Sharonville; Aaron McKellop of Lebanon; Greg Pearson of Fairfield; Pete Rasche of Evendale; Tina Schweizer of Colerain Township; Duane Sexton of Fairfield Township; Tom Shanks of Evendale; Joe Voelker of Fairfield; Mike Walsh of Ft. Thomas, Kentucky; ; Maridonna Wamsley



of Mason; Randy Watson of Oxford; Steve Weidner of Green Township, Ohio; Larry Wessel of Bridgetown; and Marc Yemiola of Symmes Township.

The LEED® AP credential, developed by the U.S. Green Building Council, sets a minimum standard of expertise and experience for those working on green, sustainable buildings. It consists of two parts: a two-hour general sustainable knowledge exam, and a second, two-hour exam within a designated specialty, said Chad Edwards, principal and LEED® AP at emersion design, LLC. He is vice chair for the Cincinnati Regional USGBC.

Areas of LEED AP specialization are: interior design and construction; building design and construction, operations and maintenance; neighborhood development; and homes.

There are 80,078 LEED APs in the nation, 2,398 in Ohio, and 462 in the city of Cincinnati, according to the USGBC Web site.

PEDCO was involved in helping achieve LEED certification for the American Laundry Building in Cincinnati and a 370,000 square foot building in Covington, Kentucky. The engineering and architecture firm is currently working to achieve LEED Silver certification for a 216,000 square foot building in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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

*PEDCO E&A Services, Inc. was founded in 1981, and has offices in Cincinnati and Fort Wayne, Indiana. PEDCO serves a variety of premier clients in industries ranging from corporate, industrial, health care, 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.*