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KZF Design to Expand its Headquarters into New LEED-Silver Offices in Downtown Cincinnati

CINCINNATI, Ohio (December 1, 2008) – KZF Design Inc., a leading national full-service architecture, engineering, interior design and planning firm, has announced that it is purchasing and renovating a three-story structure in Cincinnati's Central Business District for its new headquarters. KZF will renovate the classic turn-of-the-century office/manufacturing building into a high-performing and sustainable workplace that will meet LEED-Silver certification under the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System. KZF expects to move into its new headquarters by summer 2009.

The project is a \$6 million investment in downtown Cincinnati. The 36,000-square-foot space involves two connected structures located at 700 Broadway, at the junction of Seventh and Eighth streets. It has ample parking, is in walking distance of other downtown office buildings, is visible from Interstate 71 and has quick access to major highway connectors in the region.

"KZF Design is intending for the building to be a showplace in sustainable design," said William H. Wilson III, AIA, President and CEO of KZF Design. "Our team will design a highly functioning space that will serve as a model in workplace design, personifying our company's culture, reflecting our values, engaging our employees and enhancing our ability to serve our clients."

The 36,000-square-foot building will increase by 30 percent KZF Design's current office space, which it leases in the Baldwin Building at 655 Eden Park Drive in Cincinnati's Walnut Hills neighborhood. KZF is in need of larger space due to the company's growth in recent years.

"KZF Design is very diversified with deep expertise in multiple markets, which makes it adept at growing and prospering regardless of changes in the economy," Wilson said. "We are involved in a number of joint ventures and consulting arrangements and have projects in many states. All of this keeps our business growing; meanwhile we continue to bring a market-specific approach to each project, which serves each client well."

KZF has a number of "green" buildings among its projects, from government structures to corporate offices to the largest LEED-certified building in the region, the spectacular Campus Recreation Center at the University of Cincinnati.

Now in its sixth decade, KZF Design Inc. has more than 110 professionals and technicians on staff. The firm's corporate headquarters are located in Cincinnati, Ohio; KZF also has offices in Atlanta, Ga., and an affiliated firm, KZF Design LLC of Florida, with offices in Orlando and Tampa. KZF's award-winning designs and technical expertise have created cultural landmarks, education centers, offices and workplaces, transportation structures, as well as government, military and industrial facilities. Visit: www.kzf.com.

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