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## **Associates III Announces New LEED APs**

Associates III Congratulates Team Members on Becoming LEED Accredited Professionals

(Denver, CO) July, 2009 – Associates III is proud to announce three new LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Accredited Professionals. The following team members studied hard and recently passed their LEED for New Construction exam:

- Amy DePierre Tindle, LEED AP
- Natalie Lynch, LEED AP
- Debbie Hindman, LEED AP

According to the U.S. Green Building Council's website ([www.usgbc.org](http://www.usgbc.org)):

LEED Professional Accreditation distinguishes building professionals with the knowledge and skills to successfully steward the LEED certification process. LEED Accredited Professionals (LEED APs) have demonstrated a thorough understanding of green building practices and principles and the LEED Rating System. An organization's participation in the voluntary and technically rigorous LEED process demonstrates leadership, innovation and environmental stewardship.

LEED is an internationally recognized green building certification system, providing third-party verification that a building or community was designed and built using strategies aimed at improving performance across all the metrics that matter most: energy savings, water efficiency, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction, improved indoor environmental quality, and stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts.

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**Associates III** is a passionate, pioneering interior design firm focused on creating interiors that are as healthy, sustainable and life-enhancing as they are beautiful. Transforming spaces for nearly 40 years, Associates III brings experience, environmental sensitivity and synergy to each project by providing impeccable service, integrity in their practices and a holistic team approach. Founding members of the U.S. Green Building Council's Colorado Chapter, Associates III has won multiple design awards, including Best Sustainable Residences in 2004, 2005 and 2009 from *ASID Colorado Chapter*, and were featured in *Interiors and Sources* magazines as one of the Best Firms to Work For in 2003 and 2005. In 2008, Associates III earned the Joel Polsky Prize from ASID for their innovative resource book, *Sustainable Residential Interiors* (Wiley & Sons, 2007), and was named one of the top 30 interior design firms in the world by Andrew Martin International – for the fifth time in eight years. Leading by example, Associates III sets themselves apart by combining superb designs with a proven commitment to a sustainable design philosophy. [www.associates3.com](http://www.associates3.com)

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