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ENVIRONETICS TAKES HOME HONOR AT 47th ANNUAL LOS ANGELES ARCHITECTURAL AWARDS

L.A. Business Council Recognizes Design Projects for Embracing Sustainability and Improving City Life

LOS ANGELES (June 22, 2017) – **Environetics** was honored at the 47th Annual Los Angeles Architectural Awards, hosted by the Los Angeles Business Council (LABC) on June 22nd at the Beverly Hilton. Environetics received the **Beyond LA Award**, which recognized **Speedo HQ** for its design excellence and innovation.

“The winners of this year’s Architectural Awards demonstrate how architects both locally and globally are embracing creative design standards to create livable, sustainable cities that improve quality of life for us all,” said Mary Leslie, President of the Los Angeles Business Council.

Environetics was recognized for their design of Speedo’s new 68,000 sf headquarters in Cypress, CA blending Speedo’s dynamic vision of corporate fitness aesthetic with retail merchandising and athletic research. Featuring a state-of-the-art **Aqua Lab Pool** that serves as a product testing facility, **Conference Rooms** that double as **Retail space** equipped with specialized product displays to showcase new merchandise, and an **Open Floor Plan Environment** consisting of sit-to-stand desks surrounded by collaboration areas, they created an inviting atmosphere that is both stimulating and productive.

Speedo HQ is in elite company – the 45 winning projects were selected from a competitive pool of more than 200 projects, ranging from civic buildings and transportation hubs to commercial office and creative retail. Winners were selected by a jury panel representing a cross-section of industry experts, including representatives from top architectural firms, the City of Los Angeles, developers and engineers including Jury Co-Chairs from DeTuno Consulting, Morley Builders, Marmol Radziner and Lauter + Gallagher.

This year’s Grand Prize went to the recently-completed United States Courthouse in Downtown Los Angeles, a striking glass and steel riff on classic architectural principles that was designed to score LEED platinum. Other major awards went to the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) for their ongoing extensive re-design and Metro’s Expo 2 project. This year was also the inaugural year for the “Tripartite Award” which was established to foster collaboration between L.A. and her two Sister Cities – Guangzhou, China and Auckland, New Zealand – as the three global cities strive for shared urban



development and sustainability goals. The first-ever Tripartite Award winners include the Urban Design of Yuzhu Area in Guangzhou and the Te Ara I Whiti Light Path in Auckland.

Representatives from **Environetics** along with leading architects, city officials, and business leaders, attended the awards ceremony at the Beverly Hilton. Remarks were delivered by Kai-Uwe Bergmann and Leon Rost from the visionary architectural firm BIG, known for its bleeding-edge design in projects ranging from Google's California headquarters to New York skyscrapers.

"Award programs such as the LABC's Los Angeles Architectural Awards are important as they celebrate the diversity of scale, ambition and the communities they serve," Bergmann said. "The honored projects tonight provide a window into the values we hold dear and provide a path forward in how we all can improve our quality of life through beauty, function, and public benefit in one of America's most dynamic cities."

A full list of honorees as well as pictures of the winning projects is available at: www.labusinesscouncil.org.

About the Los Angeles Business Council

The Los Angeles Business Council is one of the most effective and influential advocacy and educational organizations in California. For over 70 years, the LABC has had a major impact on public policy by harnessing the power of business and government to promote environmental and economic sustainability in the Los Angeles region. To learn more, please visit www.labusinesscouncil.org.

About Environetics

Collaborating with clients whose values they share, Environetics seeks to create environments that make a positive difference in the lives of their users and for the community.

Environetics is a full-service architecture, interior design, engineering, and planning firm specializing in the corporate, academic, healthcare, industrial, hospitality and retail markets. With more than 130 staff and offices located in Los Angeles, New York and New Jersey, our team can access a broad geographic area and knowledge base to best serve our clients. For more information, please contact Rodney Stone at 310-287-2180 x 100 or rstone@environetics.com.

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