



EPA RECOGNIZES BENTALL KENNEDY WITH 2016 ENERGY STAR® PARTNER OF THE YEAR—SUSTAINED EXCELLENCE AWARD

Seattle (April 1, 2016) – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has recognized Bentall Kennedy with a 2016 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year – Sustained Excellence Award for its continued leadership in protecting our environment through superior energy efficiency achievements. Bentall Kennedy's accomplishments will be recognized in Washington, D.C. on April 13, 2016.

Bentall Kennedy will be honored for its long-term commitment to energy efficiency. In 2015, the company achieved a 4 percent year-over-year energy efficiency improvement for office buildings with an ENERGY STAR score. The average ENERGY STAR score is 77 across the office portfolio, placing the majority of its buildings in the top quartile for energy efficiency in North America.

"ENERGY STAR provides the framework for measuring the effectiveness of our energy efficiency strategies, which have helped our tenants and building owners reduce their energy bills by \$55 million since 2009," said Amy Price, President and Chief Operating Officer, Bentall Kennedy, U.S. "Our partnership with ENERGY STAR continues to expand as we not only improve year-over-year energy performance in existing ENERGY STAR rated buildings, but also implement the program in more buildings across our portfolio."

In 2015, Bentall Kennedy achieved a 121 percent increase in the number of buildings benchmarked on ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager, from 398 to 881 buildings. The benchmarking tool is utilized across all property types in Bentall Kennedy's portfolio, enhancing the firm's leadership position with cities, states and provinces that increasingly require commercial buildings to report on their energy use via ENERGY STAR.

Since its inception in 1992, ENERGY STAR and its partners have helped prevent a total of more than 2.4 billion metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions. In 2014 alone, ENERGY STAR and its partners provided more than \$11 billion in societal benefits due to reducing damages from climate change.

"By continued collaboration with ENERGY STAR, Bentall Kennedy is helping Americans save money, save energy, and do their part to reduce our nation's greenhouse gas emissions that exacerbate climate change," said EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy. "I'm proud to recognize Bentall Kennedy with the highest form of ENERGY STAR recognition, as the winner of the 2016 Partner of the Year – Sustained Excellence Award."

The 2016 Partner of the Year – Sustained Excellence Awards are given to a variety of organizations to recognize their contributions to reducing harmful carbon pollution through superior energy efficiency efforts. These awards recognize ongoing leadership across the ENERGY STAR program, including energy-efficient products, services, new homes, and buildings in the commercial, industrial, and public sectors.



For a complete list of 2016 winners and more information about ENERGY STAR's awards program, visit www.energystar.gov/awardwinners.

About Bentall Kennedy

Bentall Kennedy, a Sun Life Investment Management company, is one of North America's largest real estate investment advisors and one of its foremost providers of real estate services. Bentall Kennedy serves the interests of more than 550 institutional clients and investors across office, retail, industrial, and multi-residential properties throughout Canada and the U.S. Bentall Kennedy is a member of UN PRI and is a recognized global leader in Responsible Property Investing. Bentall Kennedy includes Bentall Kennedy (U.S.) Limited Partnership and Bentall Kennedy (Canada) Limited Partnership. For more information, visit www.bentallkennedy.com.

About ENERGY STAR

ENERGY STAR® is the simple choice for energy efficiency. For more than 20 years, people across America have looked to EPA's ENERGY STAR program for guidance on how to save energy, save money, and protect the environment. Behind each blue label is a product, building, or home that is independently certified to use less energy and cause fewer of the emissions that contribute to climate change. Today, ENERGY STAR is the most widely recognized symbol for energy efficiency in the world, helping families and businesses save \$362 billion on utility bills, while reducing greenhouse gas emissions by more than 2.4 billion metric tons since 1992. Join the millions who are already making a difference at energystar.gov.

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