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J&S Construction celebrates one year in new building with new certification

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J&S Construction celebrated their one year anniversary in the Freedom Plaza with a new LEED Gold Certification.

Freedom Plaza on Foreman Drive in Cookeville is the first in the Upper Cumberland Area to receive a Class A Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold Certification by the U.S. Green Building Council.

"I'm very excited," John Stites, CEO of J&S Construction said at the celebration Monday afternoon. "It's been a great first year and I'm grateful for everything God has blessed us with."

With the first privately owned LEED Silver (Times Square Shopping Center on Willow Avenue) and LEED Gold (Freedom Plaza) projects in the Upper Cumberland area, both secured in 2009, J&S Construction understands energy efficiency.

They are currently working on three additional LEED projects to help demonstrate their commitment to using the latest



The former J&S Construction office building on South Willow.

technology.

"I hope this this building will be a shining light for the industry," Stites said.

Stites went on to say that he's proud of each employee and that they are going to strive to keep delivering more than what people will expect.

J&S employees are also celebrating the fact that they were recently awarded a \$2.5 million

project to build the Monroe County Family Wellness Center in Tompkinsville, Ky.

"We're just humbled that we've been given this opportunity to serve the people of Monroe County and we are confident that we will do a good job for them," Stites said.

The building will include a six-lane swimming pool, a cardio-fitness area and support

facilities and will be the second building of a multi-phase project.

J&S was also asked to provide an add-on alternative for an outdoor tennis court, as well as for finishing the cardio-fitness room.

For more information about J&S Construction, visit their Web site at www.jsconstruction.com.