



## 'Green' Building Serves as Model of Efficiency and Conservation

### **Qiana Wilson, Chevron Employee, North Park Louisiana:**

We took the environment into account in every aspect of designing Chevron North Park. When Chevron decided to put up a new building in Louisiana, we wanted to use the best construction technology available. That resulted in Chevron North Park being the first LEED gold-certified green building in the state.

### **John Anderson, Architect, LEED Certification Program:**

LEED is an acronym for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. And it's a very powerful tool for folks in the building industry to use in order to start to make buildings more sustainable. Personally, I'm so excited to have a building like this here in the state of Louisiana. And it's such a huge achievement for a building to score a gold certification on the LEED standard. Nationwide, that's not a very common thing to do.

### **Qiana Wilson:**

We make the most out of the energy we use here through several ways. One example is heating and cooling the building. We have a high-efficiency chilled water system that pumps cool air throughout the entire building. Employees are allowed to control their own airflow in their workstations through on-the-floor air vents. We use natural lighting throughout the building. It saves us on energy usage, and it makes for a better work environment.

We used recycled materials where we could throughout the building. Like in the bathrooms we used recycled-lass countertops. We have two touch screen interactive kiosks where we educate our employees and visitors about our energy efficiency. On them they can monitor in real time our electricity usage, our water usage and our CO2 emissions.

### **John Anderson:**

To have a building here in our community that's respectful of the environment, that's improving its energy use, it's lowering its carbon footprint — those are all outstanding things. And we really need this building to become an example for future development.

### **Qiana Wilson:**

Chevron North Park has taught us that we can build a sustainable work environment that will benefit our employees and the community we serve, and it's beautiful.