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The Bulfinch Companies' 25 New Chardon Street earns EPA's ENERGY STAR Certification for superior energy efficiency

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The Bulfinch Companies, Inc.'s property at 25 New Chardon St. has earned the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) ENERGY STAR certification.

Developed in 1967 by Bulfinch, and commonly known as the Atlantic Charter Insurance Building, 25 New Chardon St. is a 111,000 s/f office building located in the Government Center area directly across from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts courthouse. This ENERGY STAR certification is significant given the building's construction date almost 50 years ago.

"We are honored to receive the EPA's Energy Star award in recognition of our energy-saving efforts at 25 New Chardon," said James Cronin, Bulfinch's director of operations. "We remain committed to protecting the environment through the use of sustainable and efficient energy practices throughout our portfolio, while also lowering our energy costs."

This achievement signifies that 25 New Chardon St. performs in the top 25% of similar facilities nationwide for energy efficiency, while meeting strict energy efficiency performance levels set by the EPA. Commercial buildings that earn EPA's ENERGY STAR certification use an average of 35% less energy than typical buildings and also release 35% less carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.

"Improving the energy efficiency of our nation's buildings is critical to protecting our environment," said Jean Lupinacci, Chief of the ENERGY STAR Commercial & Industrial Branch. "From the boiler room to the board room, organizations are leading the way by making their buildings more efficient and earning EPA's ENERGY STAR certification."

ENERGY STAR energy performance scale helps organizations assess how efficiently their buildings use energy relative to similar buildings nationwide. A building that scores a 75 or higher on EPA's 1-100 scale may be eligible for ENERGY STAR certification. Commercial buildings that can earn the ENERGY STAR include offices, bank branches, data centers, financial centers, retail stores, courthouses, hospitals, hotels, K-12 schools, medical offices, supermarkets, dormitories, houses of worship, and warehouses. For more information about ENERGY STAR Certification for Commercial Buildings, please visit www.energystar.gov/labeledbuildings.

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