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J. Calnan & Associates, Perkins & Will, CBRE and RDK Engineers celebrate opening of Schneider Electric office

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Governor Deval Patrick, amongst other dignitaries, recently joined executives from J. Calnan & Associates, Perkins & Will, CBRE and RDK Engineers to celebrate the grand opening of Schneider Electric's Boston One Campus. Located at 800 Federal St., the campus will also serve as their new North America headquarters and will be home to 850 employees across multiple business units.

"I am excited to welcome Schneider Electric's new R&D center and North American headquarters to Mass.," said governor Patrick. "We are committed to making Mass. the global hub of technology innovation and companies like Schneider Electric are important to helping the Commonwealth continue its competitive edge."

Stephen Robak, executive vice president and partner of J. Calnan said, "We are so proud to see the incredible transformation here. It's come a long way from the original site which only consisted of a 150,000 s/f building."

To create this new headquarters facility, Schneider Electric and CBRE engaged J. Calnan, construction managers; Perkins and Will, architects and RDK Engineers. The scope included renovating the existing 150,000 s/f as well as adding a 3 story addition which created an additional 77,000 s/f of space to house Schneider's laboratory and office spaces. There was also a significant tenant improvement package totaling 235,943 s/f to both the existing building and the new addition that included a combination of open office, closed executive offices, conference rooms and dry labs. The sizable project required 800 pieces of steel weighing over 315 tons. Some of the first floor amenities include a large conferencing and training center, full service cafeteria, fitness center as well as a hospitality lounge.

Some of the highlights include Schneider's Discovery Center which allows visitors to learn about their history as well as test their solutions through simulated demonstrations using 65-inch interactive panels. Boston One is also equipped with 53,000 s/f of StruxureLabs, labs where Schneider Electric engineers test and validate products that go into real-world customer deployments. Additionally, the LEED Silver certified project included a chilled beam mechanical system.

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