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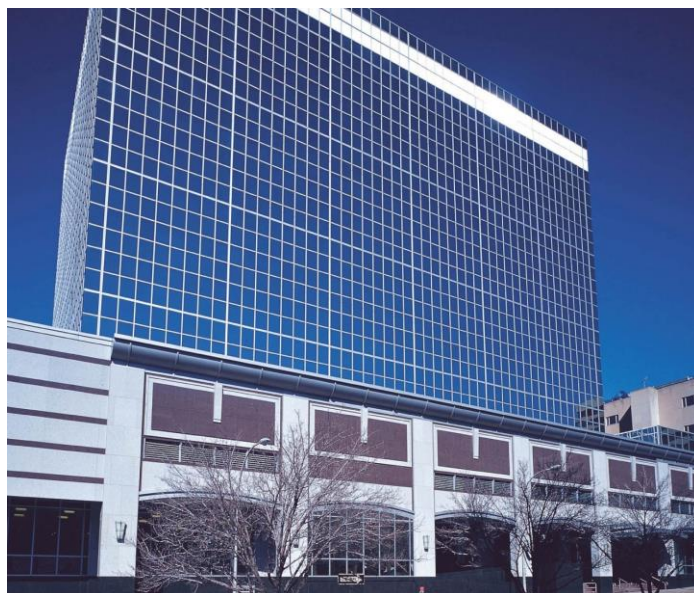
### LEED Waste Audits, Single Stream Recycle Bid and Tenant Training for 4-Million SF Multi-Tenant Office Portfolio

#### Westchester, NY and Fairfield, CT Counties

Property Manager: SL Green

SL Green manages 8 Class A office properties in the Westchester, NY and Fairfield, CT suburban markets of NYC.

Property management was interested in upgrading the old style recycle program to single stream, bidding out the collection service, and training all tenants on the new program. Two of the properties were also in need of comprehensive waste audits for LEED certification.



**Synergis –Zero Waste Group** was contracted by SL Green to implement a new single stream recycle program and train all tenants on the new program. **Synergis reviewed bid documents for the new single stream recycling program, visited single stream recycle vendor processing facilities, developed customized tenant recycling educational materials, and trained all tenants and custodial staff at the eight properties.** This entire portfolio will now be recycling more material, generating less garbage, and generating fewer greenhouse gases. Synergis worked with property management, tenants, custodial staff and the local garbage haulers throughout the process. Two of the properties were also undergoing LEED certification, and needed waste audits. **Synergis provided the comprehensive waste audits, sorting and weighing all material, and generated the reports for both properties, helping SL Green to achieve LEED Gold status.**

“Synergis - Zero Waste Group managed the development and education roll out of a new single stream recycling program to all of SL Green’s tenants in the suburban NY/CT portfolio of 4 million square feet of Class A office properties. Once the new program was implemented, Synergis reviewed new vendor programs through field inspections to ensure compliance, while establishing a tenant education program. They met with each tenant, providing key information about the new program and recommendations to help train staff on proper material separation. In addition, they distributed bin signs, and helped tenants relocate their recycling bins to increase participation. In the end, our tenants had a thorough understanding of the recycling program, allowing for improved awareness and ultimately improved recycling rates throughout the portfolio. I would highly recommend Synergis - Zero Waste Group’s services for other facilities.”

-Jason Black, Director of Sustainability, SL Green