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MSP Awarded Two Design-Build Awards for the North Pointe at Union Centre Project

When representatives from McGill Smith Punshon, Inc. (MSP) and Duke Realty arrived at the DBIA (Design-Build Institute of America) Ohio Valley Region's awards banquet on October 28th in Covington, KY, they knew that their project was winning the DBIA award for 'Private Sector Building over \$15 million.' However, they were excited to discover that their project, the North Pointe at Union Centre offices for G-E Aviation in West Chester, Ohio, was also awarded the 'Distinguished Design-Build Award,' a special honor designated to projects who break new ground in the Design-Build industry.



"This is the first time MSP has won the 'Distinguished Design-Build Award,' and we're thrilled that it's for this important project," explains Randal Merrill, AIA, LEED AP, MSP's Vice President of Architecture. "The collaborative effort between all the members of the design-build team is what made the project successful."



North Pointe at Union Centre was a design-build project spearheaded by Duke Realty (owner) and McGill Smith Punshon, Inc. (architect). The North Pointe at Union Centre offices for GE Aviation includes two 4-story office buildings which have enabled GE to consolidate their staff into a central location. The project has brought 1,700 employees to the region, and has significantly impacted the economic vitality of the West Chester Community. The project exceeded the Client's expectations when it recently achieved the USGBC **LEED Gold Certification**.

With a 150-year history in the Cincinnati region, MSP is a diversified firm providing planning, architectural design, civil engineering, surveying, landscape architecture, and facilities planning services to private, educational, public, institutional, and non-profit sectors.

The Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA) is an association of leaders in the design and construction industry utilizing design-build and integrated project delivery methods to achieve high performance projects.