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Equinix Recognized for Excellence in Green Data Center Design

Equinix's newest Australian facility receives LEED® Gold certification

SYDNEY--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Equinix, Inc. (NASDAQ:EQIX), a provider of global data center services, has been awarded the LEED® (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System™ Gold Certification for its high building standards by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) for phase one of its SY3 facility located in Mascot, Sydney.

LEED was developed by USGBC in 2000 and provides building owners and operators with a framework for identifying and implementing practical and measurable green building design, construction, operations and maintenance solutions. It takes into account factors such as energy savings, water efficiency and CO2 emissions reduction.

Phase one of Equinix's third Sydney International Business Exchange™ (IBX®) data center, known as SY3, was completed in 2011 and was built to LEED standards. Phase two of the building project will be completed in Q3 2012 and has been built to the same standards as phase one. Work will then start on phase three of the project.

"This award acts as a testament to the ongoing commitment from Equinix to build to the highest standards and strengthens its position as a global leader in the data center industry," said Tony Simonsen, managing director of Equinix Australia. "Our aim is to continue to raise these standards, ensuring we are as efficient and green as possible while keeping our customers' energy consumption and costs down."

Rick Fedrizzi, president, CEO & founding chair, U.S. Green Building Council, said, "With each new LEED-certified building, we get one step closer to USGBC's vision of a sustainable built environment within a generation. As the newest member of the LEED family of green buildings, SY3 is an important addition to the growing strength of the green building movement."

SY3 phase one is the result of a US$65M (approximately AUD$62.4M) investment and provides the equivalent of 1,000 cabinets of capacity, expanding to 3,000 with the rollout of subsequent phases. It confirms Equinix Australia's ability to meet the high demand for premium colocation and interconnection data center services.

Specific achievements highlighted as part of the LEED Certification include:

- 100 percent reduction of potable water for sewage conveyance through the capture and reuse of rainwater — meeting USGBC's exemplary performance requirement
- 78 percent of on-site generated construction waste diverted from landfill
- Use of up to 98 percent of the building's existing structural elements (walls, floors, and roofs) — the LEED Gold Certification required a minimum of 55 percent of elements be reused

- Overall energy cost savings of 22.24 percent[1]

“The SY3 building was originally designed by famed architect Harry Seidler and used as a government paper store. It’s an interesting evolution that this building has moved from storing huge amounts of paper in archive boxes to data now stored in racks of servers,” added Simonsen.

At the time the building was completed, Equinix also announced that its facilities in Sydney, comprising SY1, SY2 and SY3, had successfully passed the external audit for ISO 27001, the highest global standard for information security.

About Equinix

Equinix, Inc. (Nasdaq: EQIX) connects businesses with partners and customers around the world through a global platform of high performance data centers, containing dynamic ecosystems and the broadest choice of networks. Platform Equinix connects more than 4,000 enterprises, cloud, digital content and financial companies including more than 900 network service providers to help them grow their businesses, improve application performance and protect their vital digital assets. Equinix operates in 38 strategic markets across the Americas, EMEA and Asia-Pacific and continually invests in expanding its platform to power customer growth. www.equinix.com.

Forward Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from expectations discussed in such forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause such differences include, but are not limited to, the challenges of acquiring, operating and constructing IBX centers and developing, deploying and delivering Equinix services; unanticipated costs or difficulties relating to the integration of companies we have acquired or will acquire into Equinix; a failure to receive significant revenue from customers in recently built out or acquired data centers; failure to complete any financing arrangements contemplated from time to time; competition from existing and new competitors; the ability to generate sufficient cash flow or otherwise obtain funds to repay new or outstanding indebtedness; the loss or decline in business from our key customers; and other risks described from time to time in Equinix’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In particular, see Equinix’s recent quarterly and annual reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, copies of which are available upon request from Equinix. Equinix does not assume any obligation to update the forward-looking information contained in this press release.

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About the U.S. Green Building Council

The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) is committed to a prosperous and sustainable future through cost-efficient and energy-saving green buildings. USGBC works toward its mission of market transformation through its LEED green building program, robust educational offerings, a nationwide network of chapters and affiliates, the annual Greenbuild International Conference & Expo, and advocacy in support of public policy that encourages and enables green buildings and communities. For more information, visit usgbc.org and connect on Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn.

About LEED®

The U.S. Green Building Council's LEED green building program system is the foremost program for the design, construction, maintenance and operations of green buildings. Nearly 46,000 projects are currently participating in the commercial and institutional LEED rating systems, comprising 8.6 billion square feet of construction space in all 50 states and 130 countries. In addition, more than 20,000 residential units have been certified under the LEED for Homes rating system, with nearly 80,000 more homes registered.

By using less energy, LEED-certified spaces save money for families, businesses and taxpayers; reduce carbon emissions; and contribute to a healthier environment for residents, workers and the larger community. Learn more at usgbc.org

[1] Figure calculated using the ASHRAE Standard 90.1-2007, Appendix G methodology

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