

QUESTION 29

ENERGY

EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL (LETTER DATED APRIL 9, 2007)

33. **The 2nd Sufficiency Response included discussion about developing the project using ‘Green Build.’ We understand this is a Florida Green Building Coalition Certification Program which addresses horizontal development and this is commendable. Energy Star and Water Star will complement this very well. We still have the following concerns:**

A. **A commitment to Dark Sky Provisions needs to be included. This can save up to 40% in energy costs as well as keep lights from disturbing wildlife and residents. Please make this commitment.**

Restoration will commit to the Dark Sky provision as a means of further reducing our overall energy consumption.

B. **A commitment to a green building certification for the vertical development needs to be included. There are a variety of programs certified by both the US and Florida Green Building Coalitions. Please make these commitments for vertical green building construction.**

Restoration will commit to seeking certification of all vertical residential construction up to 3 stories in height as part of the Florida Green Building Coalitions’ Home Certification Process.

Restoration will commit to requiring all commercial and office construction to apply for certification under the United States Green Building Council’s Leadership in Environmental and Energy (LEED) program, Version 2.2 for New Construction.

Restoration will commit to requiring all new vertical construction to comply with the applicable requirements of the Florida Water Star Program and the Energy Star Program.