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## **KCI Technologies Moves into new, green HQ in the Highlands Office Park in Sparks**

Sparks, MD - January 12, 2009 – Engineering firm KCI Technologies has moved into its new, green corporate headquarters building located at the Highlands Office Park in Sparks.

The 120,000 square foot facility, in which KCI is the only tenant, is co-owned by KCI and suburban development company Cignal Corp. The address is 936 Ridgebrook Road, Sparks, MD 21152.

In 2009, KCI will pursue a U.S. Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification for the four-story facility, which uses resources more efficiently than traditional office buildings and offers employees a healthier and more comfortable work environment.

"The move to a green building is the first in a series of steps as part of our increasing commitment to sustainable operations," said KCI Chairman and CEO Terry F. Neimeyer, PE. "We will continue to support and expand our green design practices, as well as implement strategic planning initiatives that reduce our carbon footprint."

The facility features high-performance climate control, plumbing and electrical systems; a white solar reflective roof; and water-efficient landscaping. Materials selection was critical, with at least 20 percent purchased from local manufacturers and 50 percent of the wood-based materials built with products certified by the Forest Stewardship Council.

Green-label carpet and low-emitting paints and stains were selected to ensure good indoor air quality. Materials used for cubicles, countertops and other office features contain recycled content.

More than 550 employee-owners, including engineers, environmental scientists, surveyors, planners and construction professionals, work out of the new building. Its own engineers and LEED experts contributed to the design of the green building. In addition to the green features, the new facility offers employees more space, more natural light, and other amenities, including a fitness center and locker rooms.

### **KCI Technologies**

With sales of \$142 million in 2007, KCI Technologies Inc. is ranked 80 on the Engineering News-Record's current list of the top 500 engineering firms in the country. Roughly 1,000 KCI employee owners support clients from more than two dozen offices throughout the Northeast, Southeast and Mid-Atlantic. KCI offers environmental, transportation, telecommunications, construction, facilities and land development services to government, institutional and private-sector clients. For more information, visit [www.kci.com](http://www.kci.com).

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