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Quotes from CEC Green Building Advisory Group

“Green building is a cornerstone for creating strong, sustainable communities. In Seattle, we are convinced that cities that make the commitment to green development and invest in it now will have a significant advantage in the long run.”

Greg Nickels, Seattle Mayor

“The financial case for building green is getting stronger and stronger. Smart investors have already started to realize the added value in healthy, energy-efficient and environmentally sound buildings.”

Scott Muldavin, president of The Muldavin Company, Inc.,
a consulting firm serving the real estate industry.

“Mexico has a long tradition of architecture that incorporates both passive and active methods to save energy, incorporate bioclimatic designs, and utilize renewable energy, for instance, solar energy. This report shows that this tradition will be more and more important for sustainable development in our country.”

David Morillón, coordinator of the University Energy Program
at Mexico’s National Autonomous University (UNAM) Engineering Institute.

“No one can deny that architecture, since its beginnings, has been linked to the forces of nature—the sun, for example—as the point of origin for events, contradictions, successes and failures of architects, builders, and others historically responsible for the management of the human habitat.”

Jose Picciotto, founder of Picciotto Architects, Mexico,
has developed various projects, including low-cost, mid-level and luxury housing,
corporate buildings, and most recently industrial and hotel construction.

“As a developer, I rely on the fact that green building is a proven concept—with construction costs and market benefits that are rapidly improving. This report shows what is needed to scale up and put green building at the heart of a healthy, energy-secure North America.”

Jonathan Westeinde, CEO of the Windmill Development Group,
and chair of the CEC’s advisory group on Green Building in North America.

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