

## Building Green: An Owner's Experience

With completion of five new construction building projects incorporating LEED for over 300,000 square feet there have been many lessons learnt about building green. The presentation will share how to minimize risks, what has worked well and what has required tweaking. Projects have included the use of a diverse range of sustainable strategies such as geo-exchange, natural ventilation, minimizing building materials, maximizing natural light, concrete floors, water management and utilizing architectural design to minimize mechanical system requirements. Energy conservation accomplishments have ranged from 33% to 74% reduction from the MNEBC.