



Alexion Pharmaceuticals Earns the Connecticut Green Building Council Green Advocate Award and Two LEED Gold Certifications for Environmental Sustainability

CHESHIRE, Conn., Sep 27, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- [Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc.](#) (Nasdaq: ALXN) today announced that it has earned two LEED for Commercial Interiors Gold Certifications for its global headquarters and research facility in Cheshire, Conn. Alexion's headquarters is among a small number of buildings in the U.S. to qualify for the distinguished LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Gold Certification. In addition to these awards from the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), the company has also received the 2010 Connecticut Green Building Council (CTGBC) Green Advocate Award for its efforts to promote environmental stewardship and sustainable business practices.

The three awards were presented in a ceremony at Alexion by Lisa Whited of the Upper Northeast Region of USGBC, and by Todd Renz, Chair of the CTGBC. Speaking at the event, Elizabeth Esty, Connecticut State Representative for the 103rd House District, representing Cheshire, Hamden and Wallingford, told the company's employees that, "Alexion has a history of both innovation in developing new therapies and innovation in sustainable technology. I am proud that this Cheshire-based company is being acknowledged for the example it provides of how individuals and their companies can work to preserve the environment." Rep. Esty was also present at the 2009 unveiling of Alexion's solar panel system, one of the largest in the state.

Judy Swann, Executive Director of the CTGBC, said that, "We applaud Alexion for earning two gold-standard LEED certification awards for commercial interiors that are healthy and productive places to work, are less costly to operate and maintain, and have a reduced environmental footprint."

Alexion is committed to energy conservation and environmental sustainability. In 2009, Alexion installed a solar photovoltaic (PV) system on the roof of its corporate headquarters and research facility. This system, which was made possible by a grant from the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund, satisfies up to 9% of the location's energy consumption. Through onsite recycling programs in 2009, Alexion and its employees have diverted more than 45 tons of waste from landfills, including batteries, paper, equipment, metal and carpeting. Alexion also recently installed a new heat recovery system to reduce heating and cooling loads in the company's laboratories.

"Alexion is proud to be one of a small number of companies to receive the prestigious LEED-CI Gold certification award," said Daniel Caron, Vice President of Site Operations and Engineering at Alexion. "We are committed to minimizing our impact on the environment through both our long-term policies and our everyday actions, and we are grateful to our employees for supporting this mission. We are also extremely honored to have received the Connecticut Green Building Council's Green Advocate Award, which celebrates the organization for actively transforming the environment while sharing knowledge of green building and sustainable practices."

The U.S. Green Building Council is a non-profit trade organization that promotes sustainability in how buildings are designed, built and operated. The LEED certification program was developed to provide property owners and operators with strategies for improving the performance of buildings through energy savings, water efficiency, indoor environmental quality, stewardship of resources and other measures. By using less energy, LEED-certified buildings save money, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and contribute to a healthier environment for residents, workers and the larger community. More information about the U.S. Green Building Council is available at: www.usgbc.org.

The Connecticut Green Building Council (CTGBC) is a chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council. CTGBC seeks to improve the quality of life in Connecticut through the promotion of intelligently designed and constructed high performance energy efficient buildings. Throughout the year they hold a series of workshops on green building topics, networking opportunities, membership meetings, educational forums, seminars on green buildings and periodic CT-based LEED training in connection with the U.S. Green Building Council. The CTGBC also monitors activities in Connecticut related to high performance green buildings. More information about the Connecticut Green Building Council can be found at <http://ctgbc.org>.

About Alexion

Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company working to develop and deliver life-changing drug therapies for patients with serious and life-threatening medical conditions. Alexion is engaged in the discovery, development and commercialization of therapeutic products aimed at treating patients with a wide array of severe disease states, including hematologic and kidney diseases, transplant, other inflammatory disorders, and cancer. This release and further information about Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. can be found at: www.alexionpharma.com.

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