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The National Energy Technology Laboratory's (NETL) Technology Support Facility Design/Construction Management Team has been awarded a Bronze Outstanding Team Award for Excellence from the Pittsburgh Federal Executive Board (FEB). The team consists of Joseph Kanosky and Don Wieczenski.

Both Kanosky and Wieczenski became certified project managers and DOE certified project directors prior to the construction of the new Technology Support Facility (TSF) in Morgantown, WV. Management of this huge construction project was a major achievement. These NETL employees have been instrumental in decision making processes during design and construction to keep the TSF on track for U.S. Green Building Council requirements for a platinum rating in Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification and for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requirements for Energy Star certification.

Predicted savings for the TSF will be around \$640,000 per year. Recycled materials were utilized in the construction of the facility as well as other materials that can help protect and preserve the environment. The building features energy efficient T5 fluorescent and compact fluorescent lighting, a vegetated roof to better moderate inside temperatures, and water-efficient plumbing among many other cost- and resource-saving advances. Construction of the TSF was completed in November of 2008.

The team's project management leadership throughout the design and construction process was a great asset for NETL, which will benefit from this team's accomplishments for many years with a proven energy- and water-efficient building.

The awards were presented during FEB's 26th annual Excellence in Government Awards Program luncheon at the Westin Convention Center in Pittsburgh. NETL employees took home several of the awards.

NETL is one of the U.S. Department of Energy's national laboratories. NETL – "the ENERGY lab" – focuses on America's economic prosperity, which requires secure, reliable energy supplies at sustainable prices. Three overarching issues characterize the energy situation in the United States. They are energy affordability, supply security, and environmental quality. The Department of Energy's only government-owned, government-operated national lab, NETL is a research and technology center where these energy challenges converge and energy solutions emerge. NETL implements a broad spectrum of energy and environmental research and development programs through its own research staff and through funded research at other labs, universities, and industry that will return benefits for generations to come.