



LEED-CI Gold

# SERA Architects

PORTLAND, OREGON

## Services

- MEP Engineering
- Sustainable Design
- Building Technologies
- Fire/Life Safety
- Lighting

### FAST FACTS

#### Architect

SERA Architects

#### General Contractor

Lease Crutcher Lewis

#### Completion

October 2004

#### Building Size

12,000 sf

#### Project Cost

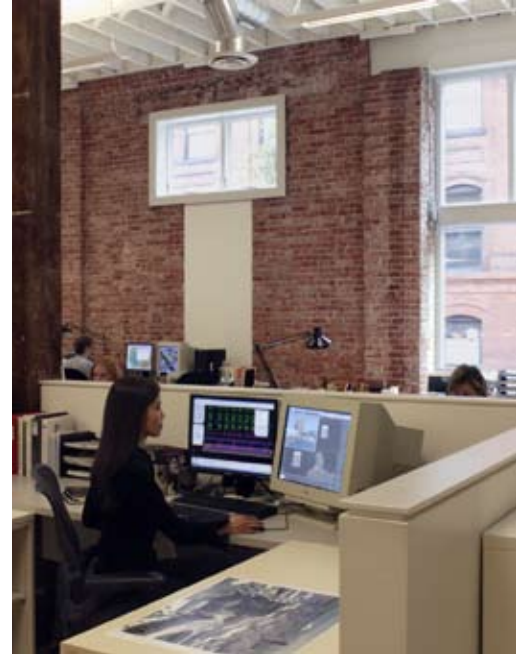
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#### Awards

**BEST Award for Sustainability:** Portland Office of Sustainable Development, 2005

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**W**hen SERA Architects moved into the first floor of a three-story historic building, their plans called for LEED-CI registered sustainability improvements. Assisting with this goal in mind, Interface prescribed energy-saving features that work with the open design of the SERA Architects' work space. With an entire wall of windows allowing daylight to penetrate a major part of the 12,000 sf areas, employees find the natural light increasing productivity, making it easy to converse and share project ideas, while at the same time saving energy.

SERA Architects considers their new quarters to be a working laboratory, proving that sustainable design features can equate energy savings while at the same time enhancing livability.

Interface contributed design-build performance specifications for mechanical (HVAC), plumbing, electrical, lighting and low voltage/technology systems. Specific strategies included:

- » occupancy space and photo cell controls
- » energy-efficient lighting
- » economizer cooling to the existing system
- » improved indoor air quality by adding CO2 sensing and indoor air quality control