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AURORA AND CROWSNEST RESIDENCE HALLS ARE NAMED A TOP PROJECT OF THE YEAR

Calgary, Alta. - December 9, 2015 - The Aurora and Crowsnest Residence Halls at the University of Calgary were honoured by Alberta Construction Magazine as one of the Top Projects of the year in Alberta. The project was awarded **The Sustainability Excellence Project of The Year**.

The new student residences, located at the University of Calgary, are not a standard student housing project. The buildings, delivered under a Design-Build methodology by CANANA as the Lead, feature bold and distinctive finishes both inside and out. The project is also targeting LEED Gold and features a number of sustainable initiatives focused on energy efficiency and creating a healthy indoor air environment. These residences were the first on campus to have greenhouse gas emission reduction built into their design targets. Each year, the buildings will emit less than 100 kilograms of CO₂ per square meter, supporting the University's ongoing sustainability initiatives.

In support of preserving the natural environment surrounding Aurora Hall, located in a more established area of campus, the team collected aspen cuttings prior to clearing the area. 2000 cuttings were grown at a local nursery in order to allow the team to re-landscape the area with these trees.

These strategies and many more helped the project to achieve excellence in sustainability and performance.

Congratulations to The University of Calgary, the consultant team led by NORR Architects, Engineers and Planners, and the entire construction team on receiving this award.

More information on this Top Project and others is available at www.albertaconstructionmagazine.com or in the Winter issue of the magazine.

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