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FGBC Announces 2013-2014 Senior Officers Election Results

TALLAHASSEE - The Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC) membership has reelected **Rob Vieira as President** for the 2013-2014 term, which begins October 20, 2013. Mr. Vieira is a founding member of FGBC and has been influential in the growth of the organization since its inception in 2000. Outside of his role within FGBC, Mr. Vieira is Director of the Building Research Division for the Florida Solar Energy Center in Cocoa.

As FGBC President, Mr. Vieira's goals are to increase the organization's marketing efforts and expand public awareness on the value of FGBC certification.

Also elected to FGBC Senior Officer positions were:

Deirdre Irwin - Vice President

Irwin is the statewide coordinator for the Florida Water Star program(SM), a water conservation certification program developed by the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD). Irwin received a Diploma in Environmental Management from Dublin Institute of Technology and a Bachelor of Environmental Science from the University of Ulster in Northern Ireland before coming to work for the St. Johns River Water Management District in 1989. Her focus for FGBC this year is to work with builders and developers to engage them in certifying their projects to the FGBC and Florida Water Star standards.

Cindy Hall - Treasurer

Hall is sales and marketing director for Cobble Systems in Orlando and is in her second term on the FGBC Board. She has served in many leadership roles for her local and state home building associations and is admired for her energy and leadership skills. Her focus for FGBC this coming year will be on membership development, increasing member benefits, and expanding FGBC promotional efforts.

Julia Galofre - Secretary

Galofre will be serving her third term as FGBC Secretary. She is the Building Codes and Sustainability Specialist for Charlotte County local government and is a Certified Building Official (CBO). She is responsible for plan reviews to ensure compliance with state and local building codes. Galofre will continue her efforts with regional industry professionals to help them incorporate green building certification into their projects.

About FGBC: The Florida Green Building Coalition is an independent non-profit organization that was established in 2000 to promote green building in the state of Florida through the development of voluntary



green building standards.

FGBC's membership is comprised of individuals and businesses from all areas of the building industry - including research, design, materials, products, construction, inspection, real estate, financing, sales, and government. For more information visit: www.FloridaGreenBuilding.org

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