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## Vidaris, Inc. Is Honored With CTBUH's 2014 Best Tall Building Americas Finalist Award

New York City (August 18, 2014) – Vidaris, Inc. is proud to be part of the project team for the United Nations Secretariat Building which was recently awarded "Finalist" as Best Tall Building Americas by the Council on Tall Buildings and Urban Habitat (CTBUH). This year, only one winner and two finalists were chosen.

The Secretariat Building is located in New York City. Built in 1953 at 39-stories tall, this Le Corbusier, Oscar Niemeyer, and Wallace Harrison designed building underwent necessary renovation through designer HLW International starting in May of 2010 and ending in 2013. The renovation aimed to update fixtures, install new safety features, re-clad the failing curtain wall, optimize floor plate utilization, and bring sustainability standards to the building.

As the project's sustainability consultant, Viridian Energy & Environmental (today known as Vidaris, Inc.) developed project-wide sustainability guidelines to meet LEED Gold standards in addition to non-LEED criteria, established green specification criteria for project materials, reviewed progress drawings to confirm compliance with sustainability guidelines, coordinated all sustainability-related documentation, and provided spot checking of construction submittals related to sustainability criteria.

The 2014 CTBUH Best Tall Building Americas winner is the Edith Green-Wendell Wyatt Federal Building in Portland, Oregon, and the other finalist is The Point in Guayaquil, Ecuador.

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