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Bank of America Financial Center is first to join international effort to reduce energy consumption by 30 percent

Spokane, Wash. – Unico Properties LLC has become the first local commercial property owner to accept an international challenge to reduce energy consumption by 30 percent, undertaking efficiency efforts in the Bank of America Financial Center (BAFC) in downtown Spokane.

Embracing the *7-Point Challenge* launched by The Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) aimed at reducing energy usage, BAFC has invested heavily in energy conservation and has already met several benchmarks of the challenge. Changes to the building that are making an impact include installing a variable frequency drive on the heating, cooling and ventilating (HVAC) system, applying a low-E film to the windows, using 'green' janitorial supplies and maximizing the efficiency of basic water usage.

"The BOMA challenge is yet another example of Unico's commitment to sustainable business practices," said Chrissy McCullough, property manager for BAFC. "We urge other commercial property owners to join us in the BOMA challenge today. Together, we will make a measurable difference in the energy we consume."

Unico Properties LLC is a real estate investment and operating company headquartered in Seattle. The company, which owns and operates nearly nine million square feet of premier properties in the western United States, is an industry leader for green and sustainable building practices. Unico produces superior returns for its institutional partners by anticipating and addressing the real state needs of its customers with environments that enhance the success of the people, business and communities it serves. For more information about Unico, please visit the firm's website at www.unicoprop.com.

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