

GREEN BUILDINGS AND SUSTAINABILITY

Another sustainable venture

New centre will help assist committed developers achieve green status

EHS (Environment, Health and Safety regulatory arm of Dubai World) and Pacific Controls have worked together to launch the Middle East Centre for Sustainable Development (MCSD).

“Setting up a one-stop shop for Dubai World companies, establishments within the UAE and the entire Middle East to obtain Green Building Certification, either through LEED or locally, comes from the Dubai Strategic Plan 2015 rolled out by His Highness Sheikh Mohammad bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, and his initiative on sustainable development,” explains Alex Abraham, manager of Free Zone & Industrial Operations, EHS.

The centre has not yet been developed, however, it will be based in Dubai and is set to begin operations at the begin-

ning on 2008.

With green buildings beginning to make an impact on developers and the region, Abraham said the centre will enable guidelines, technical support and green certification to companies wishing to progress with sustainable development projects.

When asked why EHS decided to partner with Pacific Controls, Abraham said:

“Pacific Control Systems is a Dubai based, ISO 9001:2000 company providing integrated engineering design and total automation solutions. Its headquarters in TechnoPark is the first building in the Middle East and the 16th building in the world that is a USGBC LEED Certified Green Building. So the choice for partnering with Pacific Controls makes absolute sense.”



Ahmed Abdul Hussain, CEO of EHS and Dilip Rahulan, chairman and CEO of Pacific Controls