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EMSI CO-ORGANIZES SECOND ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL GREEN BUILDING SEMINAR

On April 21-22, Environmental Market Solutions, Inc. (EMSI), co-organized Shanghai's Second International Green Building Seminar at Shanghai's Tongji University. The event was hosted by Tongji University, famous for its architecture institute and engineering department, the Shanghai Pacific Energy Center, and the newly established Shanghai Green Building Promotion Center. The Shanghai seminar was the first of six green building seminars to be sponsored by TRANE/China in 2004 and organized in association with EMSI. The National Resources Defense Council (NRDC) also supported the event.

Mr. Wang Bao Hai, Director of the Shanghai Building Energy Efficiency Office, gave the opening speech. The one and a half day seminar included Chinese and international speakers on a wide variety of topics. Prof. Xu Jihuan of Tongji University presented her work on the new commercial building code, which was recently enacted in Shanghai. Professor Xie Zhonghu, Deputy Director of the Shanghai Energy Management Company Association, discussed the development of Energy Service Companies. International green building practices and case studies were presented by Chiel Boonstra of DHV, Gregory Kiss of Kiss+Cathcart (US), and Tiffany Tsui of EMSI.

Other topics included Shanghai's Eco-Buildings, HVAC Refrigerants and Climate Change, and Municipal Water Efficiency Policy. Dr. Kenneth Langer, president of EMSI, presented a case study of the Jin Yu Lan project, an 80,000 m² five-star hotel project in Shanghai. The project is the commercial building to be registered for LEED™ certification in the city. Two demonstration projects - the Agenda 21 building in Beijing and a project of the China Sciences and Research Institute for Building Sciences (SCRIBS) were also presented.

Chinese participants included senior representatives of the Shanghai Building Materials Association, the Chinese Academy of Engineering, the Shanghai Housing and Land Use Bureau, the Shanghai Urban Planning Bureau, and the Shanghai Building Sciences Institute. These municipal organizations indicated their full support of the efforts by real estate developers, private sector companies, and research institute to make Shanghai a leader in green building project development.