



**Assurant Continues to Build on Sustainability Success**  
*Company Earns EPA ENERGY STAR® Designation for Rapid City Office*

**NEW YORK, Aug. 3, 2015**—What’s smart, clean and green all over? Working towards a more sustainable future.

For the seventh year in a row, [Assurant, Inc.](#) is recognized for efforts to reduce its environmental footprint by earning the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) ENERGY STAR certification at one or more of its facilities. A provider of specialty protection products and services, the Company recently earned the designation for its energy conservation efforts for one of two buildings at its Rapid City, South Dakota campus facilities.

“While this marks the first year Assurant earned ENERGY STAR certification for Rapid City, the Company is taking steps to improve our environmental performance across all of our facilities, with a goal of certifying all of our main office locations by the end of 2016,” said President and CEO Alan B. Colberg. “The Rapid City facility management team’s work combined with our employees’ efforts to reduce energy consumption, recycle and reduce waste, highlight the Company’s commitment of improving the communities where we live and work.”

Since 2009, Assurant has conserved electrical energy usage across the enterprise as part of the Company’s ongoing efforts to reduce its environmental footprint. Assurant was recognized by the EPA as a member of the 2014 ENERGY STAR Certification Nation for certifying six buildings. These buildings use an average of 35 percent less energy than typical buildings and release 35 percent less carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.

Energy efficient strategies that Assurant’s Rapid City facility management team employs include maintaining consistent building temperature levels, use of motion sensors to control lighting and replacing standard light bulbs with energy efficient ones whenever possible. The team closely manages heating and cooling to align with business operating hours, powering down when the building is not in use.

ENERGY STAR certification signifies that buildings perform in the top 25 percent of similar facilities nationwide for energy efficiency and meets strict energy efficiency performance levels set by the EPA.

**About Assurant**

A global provider of specialty protection products and related services, Assurant (NYSE: AIZ) safeguards clients and consumers against risk. A Fortune 500 company, Assurant partners with clients who are leaders in their industries to provide consumers peace of mind and financial security. Our diverse range of products and services includes: mobile device protection products and services; debt protection

administration; credit-related insurance; warranties and extended service products and related services for consumer electronics, appliances and vehicles; pre-funded funeral insurance; lender-placed homeowners insurance; property preservation and valuation services; flood insurance; renters insurance and related products; manufactured housing homeowners insurance; group dental insurance; group disability insurance; and group life insurance.

With approximately \$30 billion in assets and \$8 billion in annual revenue, Assurant operates through three business segments: Assurant Solutions, Assurant Specialty Property and Assurant Employee Benefits. Through the Assurant Foundation, established more than 30 years ago, the company and its employees are dedicated to supporting and partnering with organizations that improve communities.

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### **About ENERGY STAR**

ENERGY STAR was introduced by EPA in 1992 as a voluntary, market-based partnership to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through energy efficiency. Today, the ENERGY STAR label can be found on more than 65 different kinds of products, 1.4 million new homes, and 20,000 commercial buildings and industrial plants that meet strict energy-efficiency specifications set by the EPA. Over the past twenty years, American families and businesses have saved more than \$230 billion on utility bills and prevented more than 1.8 billion metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions with help from ENERGY STAR.

For more information about ENERGY STAR Certification for Commercial Buildings:

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