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## Plaza Construction, Miami, awarded \$65 million contract to build 35-story EnV at Mary Brickell Village

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MIAMI, FLA. (AUGUST 29, 2012) -- Plaza Construction has been awarded a \$65 million contract to break ground in September for the 35-story EnV at Mary Brickell Village, a 390-unit residential tower to be located at 999 SW 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue in Miami. One of South Florida's leading full-service general contractors and construction managers, Plaza is known for such prestigious projects as the W South Beach hotel, the 67-story Marquis and Canyon Ranch North Tower, to name only a few.

Slated for completion in 2014, the 800,000-square-foot EnV at Mary Brickell Village is being developed by a venture between affiliates of **Lynd Development Partners**, **LNR Property LLC**, and **BlackRock Realty Advisors**. **Behar Font and Partners** has been selected as the architect for the project which will be constructed above the existing Publix Super Market at The Shops at Mary Brickell Village near Biscayne Bay, the Financial District and only minutes from South Beach.

Brad Meltzer, Principal and President, continues to lead Plaza's Southeast Regional operation as he has done for the past eight years as founder of previously named KM/Plaza. Plaza's Southeast Region in Miami is currently projecting 2012 and 2013 revenues of \$150 million and \$200 million, respectively, said Meltzer. On June 29, the company announced it started The Perry South Beach Hotel, Resort, Spa and Condominiums, a premier \$100 million beachfront redevelopment by The LeFrak Organization, Starwood Capital Group and Invesco Ltd., plus the Dadeland Mall Kendall Wing Expansion under a contract with Simon Property Group, Indianapolis. New York City-headquartered Plaza Construction is prominently ranked among Engineering News-Record's 2012 Top 100 Professional Service Firms.

"The change in our name is an expression of our full integration into the Plaza Construction organization, while we maintain and enhance our exceptional commitment to the South Florida market and our clients," said Meltzer. "For nearly a decade, our relationship with Plaza Construction has allowed us to leverage our resources and talent, and to build market momentum by delivering the highest quality construction and service. Moving forward as Plaza Construction, we continue to focus on serving our clients second to none."

During the recent economic downturn, Plaza strategically took a series of specific measures to leverage its resources, human capital, relationships, technological platform and national outreach in order to enhance its capabilities and sharpen its readiness to offer outstanding services when the market began to recover. That strategy has resulted in a significant uptick in new business in all eight market segments that Plaza serves, namely: 1) Commercial/Mixed-Use; 2) Retail; 3)

Hospitality/Residential; 4) Infrastructure/Transportation; 5) Healthcare; 6) Interiors; 7) Education; and 8) Government/Cultural. With numerous new construction jobs now coming on line and more on the drawing board, South Florida is an integral component of Plaza's national platform and a distinct profit center. The name change is part of a national initiative to provide Plaza Construction as a unified, connected, full-service entity operating coast to coast.

In addition to New York and Miami, Plaza operates offices in Los Angeles, Houston, Newark, NJ, and most recently Washington, DC, an office which opened in June 2010 to serve the entire greater metro District of Columbia area.

"As the economy improves, and new business opportunities arise, our national platform will make it easier for existing and potential clients to become aware of all our capabilities and various service lines," said Richard Wood, President of New York City-headquartered Plaza Construction. "Consolidating KM/Plaza under the Plaza umbrella was essential to achieving that end."

## **About Plaza Construction**

Established in 1986, and headquartered in New York City, Plaza Construction .plazaconstruction.com provides construction management, general contracting, and project consulting services nationally with offices located in Los Angeles, Miami, Houston, Washington, DC, and Newark, NJ, *Building Value with Vision*. Over the past five years, Plaza has posted average revenues approaching \$1 billion annually, and as an industry leader in sustainability, Plaza has executed over \$2.3 billion of LEED rated projects since 2005. Plaza Construction bases its Southeast Regional operations from 120 NE 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 600, Miami, FL, phone 786-693-8700.