A breath of fresh air for Circular Quay Tower

Sydney, 06 June, 2018: A range of innovative measures – including providing occupants 50 per cent more fresh air than building codes require – has helped the yet-to-be constructed Circular Quay Tower earn Sydney’s first ever Platinum WELL Core and Shell pre-certification rating.

WELL is a performance-based system for measuring, certifying and monitoring features of buildings that impact the health of occupants.

To achieve Platinum status, developments require multiple features that meet WELL’s standards covering air, water, nourishment, light, fitness, comfort, mind and innovation.

Circular Quay Tower is connected to two train stations and Sydney’s main ferry wharf. This accessibility will be supported by first-class end-of-trip facilities for office workers, comprising about 1200 lockers, over 450 bicycle racks, showers and change rooms. The project is also targeting a 4 Star NABERS Water rating, including rain water harvesting and high efficiency fixtures & fittings.

Circular Quay Tower’s biophilic design – which refers to design that reflects the natural world – is another feature recognised under the rating. The exterior building design imitates the form of a tree. Occupants will enjoy a further connection to nature with views of Sydney Harbour and a focus on natural light.

The achievement follows International Towers Sydney at Barangaroo South becoming the first in the world to be awarded WELL Certification for Core & Shell at the Platinum level, the highest certification available.

Nearly 15 million square metres have been registered and/or certified internationally since WELL launched in 2014. Today, Australia boasts the third highest number of projects registered and certified internationally, including in square metres, behind the US and China.

Quotes attributable to Kimberley Jackson, Project Director, Lendlease Property.

“More and more, tenants are seeking out workplaces that support a healthy environment. This new WELL certification for Circular Quay Tower, the first in Sydney for a yet to be constructed project, demonstrates we’re well on the way to delivering a building that will achieve just this.

Quotes attributable to Rick Fedrizzi, chairman and CEO of the IWBI.

“Lendlease has been at the forefront of sustainability in real estate for more than two decades. Its leadership approach will continue to help shape the evolution of health and wellness in real estate globally – with Circular Quay Tower, the next example of office design which demonstrates world leadership in both sustainability and human health outcomes.”

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