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SMITH CONSULTING ARCHITECTS COMPLETES DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FOR NEW CARLSBAD FIRST CITIZENS BANK OFFICE

SAN DIEGO, Calif. – (February 7, 2011) – Smith Consulting Architects, a San Diego-based multi-disciplined design firm, has completed the design and construction administration for the new 4,500-square-foot branch office of First Citizens Bank located within The Towers at Bressi Ranch at 6088 Innovation Way in Carlsbad, Calif.

First Citizens Bank previously served Carlsbad clients from a location on Marrow Road. The newly constructed branch office provides a central North County location that is easily accessible from Carlsbad, Encinitas, San Marcos and Vista. The full-service branch offers customers a wide array of personal and business banking services.

The new First Citizens Bank branch office encompasses a lobby and reception area, teller areas, private offices, conference room, walk-up ATM and dedicated parking. Smith Consulting Architects is also designing First Citizens Bank branch offices in Encino and Glendale, Calif.

Mark Langan, LEED AP, is vice president-in-charge for Smith Consulting Architects, with Brian Drache, LEED AP, serving as project architect. The Ryan Companies was the design-build general contractor for the Carlsbad branch.

Smith Consulting Architects also designed the shell buildings at The Towers at Bressi Ranch, which received LEED-CS Certification in 2009.

About Smith Consulting Architects:

Founded in 1988 by Cheryl (Dennie) Smith, Smith Consulting Architects is a multi-discipline design firm providing full-service planning, architecture and interior design. In addition to corporate headquarters and office facilities, the company has specialized expertise in R&D, life science, complex manufacturing, government and industrial facilities. Smith Consulting Architects is a member of the U.S. Green Building Council, with expertise in sustainable design. The firm is comprised of 21 design and support professionals, with offices located in San Diego and Palm Desert, Calif. More information about the firm can be found on the Web at www.sca-sd.com.

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