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# KB Home Earns 11th ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year – Sustained Excellence Award

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The recognition comes as the national homebuilder reaches the milestone of over 150,000 ENERGY STAR certified new homes built, more than any other U.S. builder

LOS ANGELES--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- KB Home (NYSE: KBH) today announced that it has been named an ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year – Sustained Excellence Award Winner for an unprecedented 11th consecutive year by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). KB Home has built over 150,000 ENERGY STAR certified homes, more than any other homebuilder in the nation. These high-performance, energy-saving homes are estimated to have cumulatively reduced utility bills for their homeowners by \$800 million and CO2 emissions by 5.6 billion pounds, the equivalent of removing nearly 557,000 cars from the road for one year.

“ENERGY STAR award-winning partners are showing the world that delivering real climate solutions makes good business sense and promotes job growth,” said EPA Administrator Michael S. Regan. “Many of them have been doing it for years, inspiring all of us who are committed to tackling the climate crisis and leading the way to a clean energy economy.”

The Sustained Excellence Award is the highest honor bestowed by the ENERGY STAR program. EPA presents the Sustained Excellence Award to partners that have received ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year recognition for a minimum of two consecutive years and have gone above and beyond their prior achievements in the production and sale of energy-efficient products and services and the development and adoption of strategies that provide substantial energy savings. The award recognizes KB Home’s leadership in continually improving the energy performance of its homes and making the total cost of homeownership more affordable by reducing utility bills.



“We are proud to again be recognized by the EPA for our long-term commitment to the ENERGY STAR program. KB Home integrates advanced energy efficiency into every home we build, helping to protect the environment while reducing the overall cost of long-term homeownership for our customers,” said Jeffrey Mezger, KB Home Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer. “We became the first national homebuilder to build 100% ENERGY STAR certified new homes, and we have delivered over 150,000 ENERGY STAR certified new homes to date, more than any other national homebuilder. Additionally, our highly efficient new homes comprise a core element of our distinctive, purpose-driven approach to operating sustainably, which encompasses an array of evolving and well-considered environmental, social and governance standards and practices.”

KB Home was the first homebuilder to commit to building 100% of its homes to the rigorous ENERGY STAR certified standard in 2008 and has maintained this commitment for over a decade now. Today, every KB home is designed to be ENERGY STAR certified and deliver an enhanced indoor environment thanks to quality construction techniques and materials as well as high performance ventilation systems that regularly introduce fresh outdoor air. The company incorporates design features guided by EPA Indoor airPLUS standards, including low- or zero-VOC products in carpeting, paint, insulation and cabinetry, and comprehensive air sealants to significantly reduce drafts, moisture, dust and pollen as well as antimicrobial door handles and touchless faucets to reduce the spread of germs. Additionally, all KB homes feature EPA WaterSense® labeled fixtures, including faucets, toilets and showerheads, to help maximize water efficiency. These products also help lower homeowners’ monthly utility costs and minimize their carbon footprint and energy usage.

KB Home is the only national builder to have earned awards under all of EPA’s homebuilder programs, including ENERGY STAR, WaterSense, which establishes water efficiency standards, and Indoor airPLUS, which focuses on indoor air quality.

For more information on KB Home, call 888-KB-HOMES or visit [kbhome.com](http://kbhome.com).

For more information on KB Home’s sustainability initiatives, visit <http://kbhome.com/sustainability>

## About KB Home

KB Home (NYSE: KBH) is one of the largest and most recognized homebuilders in the United States and has been building quality homes for over 60 years. Today, KB Home operates in 45 markets across eight states, serving a wide array of buyer groups. What sets us apart is how we give our customers the ability to personalize their homes from homesites and floor plans to cabinets and countertops, at a price that fits their budget. We are the first builder to make every home we build ENERGY STAR® certified. In fact, we go beyond the EPA requirements by ensuring every ENERGY STAR certified KB home has been tested and verified by a third-party inspector to meet the EPA’s strict certification standards, which helps lower the cost of ownership. We also work with our customers every

step of the way, building strong personal relationships so they have a real partner in the homebuying process, and the experience is as simple and easy as possible. Learn more about how we build homes built on relationships by visiting [kbhome.com](https://kbhome.com).

## About ENERGY STAR

ENERGY STAR® is the government-backed symbol for energy efficiency, providing simple, credible, and unbiased information that consumers and businesses rely on to make well-informed decisions. Thousands of industrial, commercial, utility, state, and local organizations—including more than 40 percent of the Fortune 500®—rely on their partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to deliver cost-saving energy efficiency solutions. Since 1992, ENERGY STAR and its partners helped American families and businesses avoid more than \$450 billion in energy costs and achieve 4 billion metric tons of greenhouse gas reductions. More background information about ENERGY STAR can be found at:

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