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## **NAREIT AND EPA HONOR REIT “LEADERS IN THE LIGHT”**

**Washington, D.C.**—The National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts® (NAREIT®), in collaboration with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), honored three of its member companies for demonstrating superior and sustained energy use practices.

“We initiated our ‘Leader in the Light’ award last year based on our conviction that the REIT industry should be a strong and visible contributor to building management practices that conserve energy and help to preserve our environment,” explained NAREIT Executive Vice President of Finance and Operations Sheldon M. Groner.

### **This year’s “Leader in the Light” Award recipients:**

**Gold:**           **Simon Property Group** (NYSE: SPG)  
Indianapolis, Indiana

**Silver:**       **Equity Office Properties Trust** (NYSE: EOP)  
Chicago, Illinois

**Bronze:**       **ProLogis** (NYSE: PLD)  
Aurora, Colorado

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The awards are judged on the basis of how effectively NAREIT member corporations implement company-wide operations that generate substantially improved energy efficiency and expense management, Groner explained.

This year's judges were Maria Vargas of the EPA, Branko Terzic of Deloitte & Touche's Energy Resource Group, and Professor David Funk of Cornell University.

The “Leader in the Light” Awards were presented at a breakfast session last week during the NAREIT Annual Convention in San Francisco.

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