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Gateway at Torrey Hills office complex completed

Construction of **Gateway at Torrey Hills**, located in the Torrey Hills/Carmel Valley area, is now complete.

Developed by Cisterra Partners, the Class A office project consists of two buildings totaling approximately 200,000 square feet that are 70 percent committed.

Bell Boyd & Lloyd LLP, a Chicago-based law firm, will be the first tenant to move in into the office complex in January 2008.

Bell Boyd will occupy 16,070 square feet on the second floor under an 84-month lease. It is the firm's first West Coast location, according to Jason Wood, senior vice president of finance and leasing for Cisterra.

The law firm of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C. will move into the north building by the end of the first quarter of 2008.

The firm will occupy the entire third floor and over half of the fourth floor, which totals more than 39,927 square feet. The lease is for 11 years.

To mark the completion of the office complex, Cisterra unveiled a 30-foot stainless steel sculpture, titled "Dancing in the Sun," created by Colorado metal sculptor Kevin Robb.

The sculpture's design is one of lightness, fluidity, motion and drama. It can be seen from the freeway and was designed to capture the sun's rays with each ray of light "dancing" off of the sculpture's grind marks.

An international artist, Robb creates free-flowing sculptural expressions in bronze and stainless steel, which are distinguished by their smooth, graceful edges and seamless metal intersections, revealing the high caliber welding involved.

Since suffering a massive stroke in 2004, Robb has been physically challenged in the creation of his sculptures. Yet without the ability to speak and limited physical abilities, Robb is still able to continue to create his designs by "directing" his studio staff through motions, sketches and nonverbal communications.

In addition to the metal sculpture, the building's façade also includes metallic aluminum elements, which are arced along the façade to blend with the surrounding hillsides and open space.



Gateway at Torrey Hills, which was the only project in the Carmel Mountain submarket to come on line in 2007, is built on one of the last commercial spaces with ocean views in the Torrey Hills/Carmel Valley area.

The project sits on 7.7 acres at the northwest corner of Carmel Mountain Road and Interstate 5 and includes a separate parking garage. The parking ratio is four per 1,000 with approximately 70 percent covered.

Each building has 25,000-square-foot floor plates, technology infrastructure, and is situated to maximize views of the ocean and Torrey Pines State Reserve.

Brokers for the building are **Grubb & Ellis|BRE Commercial**.