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### **Flaherty & Collins Selects R. J. Griffin & Company as General Contractor for 210 Trade**

*Award-Winning Company to Construct Charlotte's Finest Luxury High-Rise*

**Charlotte, N.C., May 8, 2006** – Flaherty & Collins, one of the Midwest's largest and most experienced multi-family developers, has selected R. J. Griffin & Company as general contractor for its new high-rise luxury residence building, 210 Trade ([www.210trade.com](http://www.210trade.com)).

R. J. Griffin & Company is a division of J.E. Dunn Group, which is consistently ranked as one of the leading multi-family contractors in the nation.

As general contractor for 210 Trade, R. J. Griffin & Company will be responsible for constructing the project from permitting to obtaining a final certificate of occupancy. They will determine the scope of all of the subcontractor packages and manage the subcontractor selection process. Additionally, they will be responsible for planning site logistics, including hoisting, as well as scheduling and quality control.

During construction, they will manage the site and the building, and all required labor, equipment, materials and construction budget. Their management of the construction process will continue through completion of the building, including individual condominium unit owner acceptance.

210 Trade will be a luxury, high-rise condominium tower at the corner of Trade and College streets on the site of the old Charlotte Convention Center. Located atop the planned EpiCentre entertainment complex and across from the forthcoming Ritz-Carlton, 210 Trade will serve as Charlotte's urban high-rise resort.

Dramatic in design, 210 Trade will feature more than 400 residences comprised of one- and two-bedroom condominiums, ranging from 660 to 2,500 square feet of space,

including multi-level units. Penthouse homes ranging from 2,500 to 6,500 square feet will grace the top floors of the building, offering dramatic views of the Queen City. Residences will range in price from the lower \$200s to \$3 million plus.

Each condominium will be designed using features that epitomize sophisticated city living. Hardwood floors, stainless steel appliances, granite countertops, 10-foot ceilings, floor-to-ceiling glass, oversized tubs and showers with stone or tile finishes, and gourmet island kitchens are among the many standard features offered.

The amenities offered within 210 Trade are unparalleled in Charlotte. Located on the club level, the formal resident lounge will feature a multimedia center, professional test kitchen, dining area and climate-controlled wine cellar. Also found on this level will be a two-story health & fitness center and aqua lounge which leads to a 19,000 square foot outdoor entertainment deck, featuring a resort style pool, yoga garden, putting green, and pet walk. Twenty-four hour concierge service and secured garage parking with valet service are also provided.

Residents will also enjoy their proximity to the Epicentre, the exciting retail and entertainment district located on the plaza level of this development.

“R. J. Griffin & Company is very excited about having the opportunity to be instrumental in helping to shape Charlotte's skyline with one of the most high profile real estate development projects in town in recent years,” said Steve Mitchener, vice president of R. J. Griffin. “210 Trade will certainly add to the rapidly growing mix of attractive amenities available in center city Charlotte.”

Construction on 210 Trade has already begun. The sales center is scheduled to open this summer in the neighboring Charlotte Plaza building at 201 South College on the first floor. Ongoing project updates, as well as a construction Web cam, can be found at [www.210trade.com](http://www.210trade.com).

### **About R. J. Griffin & Company**

Established in Atlanta in 1985, R. J. Griffin & Company provides general contracting services for all types of building construction. The company has offices in Atlanta, Ga.; Charlotte, N. C.; Nashville, Tenn.; and Orlando, Fla. R. J. Griffin is ranked 14th in the nation by *Engineering News Record* (May 2004) for multi-unit residential projects. For further information, call Grant Stackhouse, senior VP and project manager at 704.554.0539, or visit [www.rjgriffin.com](http://www.rjgriffin.com).

### **About Flaherty & Collins**

Flaherty & Collins was founded in 1993 by David Flaherty and Jerry Collins. Based in Indianapolis, the company is an Accredited Management Organization (AMO) specializing in multi-family development, construction, property and asset management.

One of the Midwest's largest developers of multifamily properties, with communities in six states representing over 12,000 units, the Flaherty & Collins team is seasoned, experienced and represents some of the best and brightest real estate professionals in the business. Each property reflects outstanding design, craftsmanship and attention to detail. Further information is available at [www.flahertycollins.com](http://www.flahertycollins.com).

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