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## Sustainable Real Estate Solutions Launches Commercial Real Estate's Only Large-Scale Energy Benchmarking Database

120,000+ Buildings Fill Market Void Caused By Recent CBECS Defunding

TRUMBULL, Conn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sustainable Real Estate Solutions, Inc. (SRS), the industry leader in on-demand building energy assessment and proprietary benchmarking software, today announced the availability of its version 2.0 Peer Building Energy Benchmarking<sup>™</sup> module. The new "Software-as-a-Service" (SaaS) benchmarking tool contains current data on over 120,000 buildings nationwide. Updated regularly, the data encompasses 15 property types, 3.3 billion square feet and over \$7.8 billion in annual energy costs.

"The system provides comprehensive, accurate and unparalleled benchmarking analysis," noted Brian J. McCarter, SRS CEO. He added, "Given the Energy Information Administration's (EIA) defunding of the CBECS database which supports the Energy Star rating system, the market is beginning to turn to industry-sponsored benchmarking resources, particularly as more cities and states implement energy benchmarking and disclosure regulations."

A fully integrated component of SRS's Sustainable Real Estate Manager<sup>®</sup> platform, the database and SaaS solution provides commercial real estate's most comprehensive "best practice" for benchmarking (e.g., comparing a building's energy and water consumption, costs and overall efficiency to "peer" buildings of comparable size, use and location). SRS's Peer Building Benchmarking<sup>™</sup> tool is a "game-changer" that for the first time enables industry participants to accurately benchmark a property's key performance indicators to its peer group's performance distribution (25<sup>th</sup> percentile, median, 75<sup>th</sup> percentile) across multiple geographic areas (ZIP code, CBSA, state, climate region and nationwide).

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As market evidence continues to mount that energy efficient green buildings achieve higher market values, increased occupancy levels, NOI and tenant satisfaction, building owners and managers are undertaking energy efficiency retrofits at unprecedented levels. SRS's Peer Building Benchmarking<sup>™</sup> tool is a timely response to this growing market need enabling stakeholders to make informed decisions regarding capital investments to ensure their properties maintain a competitive edge in their local market.

## About Sustainable Real Estate Solutions, Inc. (SRS)

SRS, an industry leader in on-demand building energy assessment and proprietary benchmarking software, delivers Sustainable Real Estate Manager<sup>®</sup> an Internet-based software-as-a-service (SaaS) workflow platform enabling building stakeholders to assess, benchmark and optimize the energy and sustainability performance of their properties. Its Peer Building Benchmarking ™ module has reinvented commercial real estate's energy efficiency benchmarking best practice. For more information, visit www.SRMnetwork.com.

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