Aramark’s global headquarters, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, has received LEED Silver certification, by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), for its sustainable workspace design and construction.

The building is certified under the LEED for Interior Design and Construction (LEED ID+C) rating system, which encourages the design and construction of commercial interiors that are good for people and the planet. Earlier, the 2400 Market Street building, owned by a joint venture of The Lubert-Adler Real Estate Funds and PMC Property Group, was initially awarded LEED Gold certification as a new construction project. Both certifications underscore Aramark’s sustainability goals of improving the well-being of people and reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 2025.

“Our goal in designing our new home was to ‘future-proof’ the workplace by integrating sustainable design elements to create an open environment that fosters collaboration, innovation, wellness, and community,” said Marc S. Liciardello, Vice President of Corporate Services, Aramark. “While our employees may be working remotely, due to the pandemic, the forward-looking design sustains remote work productivity as we look forward to their eventual return to 2400 Market. Today, healthy and sustainable workplaces are more important than ever, and this LEED recognition reinforces Aramark’s commitment to offering efficient and meaningful solutions for the well-being of our employees, customers, partners, community and environment.”

“LEED is a transformative tool that ensures a building is designed and operated to achieve high performance, improve human health and protect the environment,” said Mahesh Ramanujam, president and CEO, USGBC. “By prioritizing sustainability, Aramark is leading the way in their industry and helping USGBC continue towards our goal of green buildings for everyone within this generation.”

LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is a green building rating system that measures sustainable buildings through a framework focused on health, efficiency, and cost-savings. LEED is the most widely used green building rating system in the world.

The Company’s headquarters includes a wellness center, biophilia rooms, outdoor terraces, and a showcase state-of-the-art dining facility and test kitchen. Specific sustainability highlights include:

- Water saving fixtures reduce water consumption by 35%
- Efficient lighting decreases lighting power density to 40% below code
- Over 90% of all appliances hold Energy Star certifications
- Local manufacturer materials and certified Forest Stewardship Council’s (FSC) wood was used throughout
- 75% of construction materials were diverted from landfills
- Bike storage and shower facilities were incorporated to support wellness programs and biker and walker commuting

Aramark, which has proudly called Philadelphia home since 1961, relocated its new world headquarters to 2400 Market Street in December 2018. Originally built as a Hudson Motor Car Company plant in the 1920s, 2400 Market Street’s structure has been transformed into a modern, 600,000 square foot, nine-story building with an emphasis on innovation, sustainability and green space. As the anchor tenant of 2400 Market, Aramark occupies five newly constructed floors, consisting of nearly 300,000 square feet, with sweeping river views.

About Aramark
Aramark (NYSE: ARMK) proudly serves the world’s leading educational institutions, Fortune 500 companies, world champion sports teams, prominent healthcare providers, iconic destinations and cultural attractions, and numerous municipalities in 19 countries around the world. We deliver innovative experiences and services in food, facilities management and uniforms to millions of people every day. We strive to create a better world by making a positive impact on people and the planet, including commitments to engage our employees; empower healthy consumers; build local communities; source ethically, inclusively and responsibly; operate efficiently and reduce waste. Aramark is recognized as a Best Place to Work by the Human Rights Campaign (LGBTQ+), DiversityInc, Equal Employment Publications and the Disability Equality Index. Learn more at www.aramark.com or connect with us on Facebook and Twitter.

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