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## **UINTAH BASIN HEALTHCARE**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

## UINTAH BASIN HEALTHCARE EARNS 2019 ENERGY STAR CERTIFICATION

Outperforming similar U.S. buildings on measure of energy efficiency with a perfect score of 100

**Roosevelt, Utah – January 22, 2020 –** Uintah Basin Healthcare has announced that their hospital, Uintah Basin Medical Center located at 250 W 300 N in Roosevelt, Utah has once again earned the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) ENERGY STAR® certification for superior energy performance, reflecting a legacy of continued energy savings.

"Improving the energy efficiency of our nation's buildings is critical to protecting our environment," said Jean Lupinacci, Chief of the ENERGY STAR Commercial & Industrial Branch. "From the boiler room to the board room, organizations are leading the way by making their buildings more efficient and earning EPA's ENERGY STAR certification."

ENERGY STAR certified buildings and plants are verified to perform in the top 25 percent of buildings nationwide, based on weather-normalized source energy use that takes into account occupancy, hours of operation, and other key metrics. ENERGY STAR is the only energy efficiency certification in the United States that is based on actual, verified energy performance.

"As the Director of Engineering, I have always pushed for energy efficiency and would like to thank our current and past administration, board members and engineering staff who have all been on board with spending a little extra up front on geothermal heating and cooling, LED lighting, high efficiency boilers, etc. and in return we continue to reap the savings year after year which helps us keep our operating costs down" said Marlin Michaelson, UBH Director of Engineering.

On average, ENERGY STAR certified buildings and plants use 35 percent less energy, cause 35 percent fewer greenhouse gas emissions, and are less expensive to operate than their peers—all without sacrifices in performance or comfort.

"UBH has an ENERGY STAR score of 100/100 which means we outperform all similar buildings nationwide. We're honored to earn the ENERGY STAR for superior energy performance at UBMC and appreciate the efforts of our dedicated staff and their involvement in an efficient operation," said Jim Marshall, UBH President & CEO. "Saving energy is just one of the ways we show our community we care, and that we're committed to doing our part to protect the environment and public health, both today and for future generations."

For more information about ENERGY STAR for Buildings and Plants, visit <a href="https://www.energystar.gov/buildings">www.energystar.gov/buildings</a>



**Pictured:** Marlin Michaelson, UBH Engineering Manager, (along with his team) pictured holding U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) ENERGY STAR® certificate for superior energy performance, reflecting a legacy of continued energy savings.