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Brenda Hustis Gotanda Served as Subject Matter Expert at "Greenbuild 2011" Knowledge Bar for the U.S. Green Building Council

Philadelphia, PA (October 6, 2011) – Brenda Hustis Gotanda, a partner with Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP (MGKF), the environmental, energy and land use law firm based in Bala Cynwyd, PA, served as a subject matter expert at the U.S. Green Building Council's "*Greenbuild 2011 Knowledge Bar*" that took place at the *Greenbuild 2011 International Conference & Expo* in Toronto, Ontario. Gotanda answered questions from attendees on environmental and energy law, green building legal issues - contracts, leases and LEED, as well as the legal aspects of sustainability.

Gotanda is Co-Chair of the MGKF Sustainability practice and is a LEED® Accredited Professional (LEED AP). She represents and counsels clients on a broad range of environmental, energy, land use, and health and safety issues in regulatory compliance, transactional, permitting, and enforcement matters. Her practice includes green building, alternative energy and energy efficiency, sustainability programs, due diligence, brownfield redevelopment, water and waste compliance, spill response, and site remediation. Ms. Gotanda serves on the Board of Directors of the Delaware Valley Green Building Council and is Chair of the Radnor Township Environmental Advisory Council. Gotanda is a founder and Director Emeritus of the Society of Women Environmental Professionals of Greater Philadelphia. Ms.

Gotanda has also served as Co-Chair of the Environmental Law Committee of the Philadelphia Bar Association and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Japanese House and Garden in Fairmount Park. She earned her J.D. degree, with honors, from the University of Texas School of Law and her B.A. degree, summa cum laude, from Boston College.

MGKF concentrates its practice in environmental, energy, and land use law and litigation. It represents clients ranging from Fortune 100 corporations to small, privately held enterprises, both in the Mid-Atlantic region and on a national basis. MGKF was honored to be the top-rated law firm in the Top Workplaces 2011 survey by the Philadelphia Inquirer, Daily News and Philly.com. Offices are located at 401 City Avenue, Suite 500, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania and 535 Route 38, Suite 145A, Cherry Hill, New Jersey. For additional information, visit www.mgkflaw.com or call 484-430-5700 or 856-317-1299.

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