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Located in Westbrook, Roots Café is Constructed of Durable, Sustainable Materials and Offers an Indoor/Outdoor Environment for Changing Seasons

Westbrook, ME – April 1, 2019 – Roots Café, a bakery and coffee shop housed in a modern barn-style building, recently completed construction, according to design principal Chris Delano, of <u>Delano Architecture</u>.

The restaurant is located on a prominent corner in Westbrook, a suburb of Portland. In addition to the Café's kitchen, service areas, and dining spaces, the project includes a large meeting room for events, a childcare area, a separate tenant space, a ground-level patio, and a rooftop deck for summer use.

As with all Delano projects, the design firm was intimately involved with the selection and design of the interior details/finishes and lighting, including custom metal shelving, paint colors, cabinets, all interior trim and details, custom light fixtures, and wall/floor finishes. Exterior materials include a combination of prefinished HardiePlank lap siding in Iron Gray and Kebony modified wood in a natural clear grade.

"The wood gives a warmth to the building, and relates quite literally to the Café's name, Roots," Delano said. "Kebony is particularly well suited to Maine's climate and wood culture, and because it weathers to a silvery gray, it's right at home on both the coast and inland properties."

A considerable amount of natural wood was used on the interior surfaces with plenty of windows to flood the space with natural light.

Aluminum and galvalume flashings and canopy structures provide the simple structure some detail and weather protection for the major openings. All the siding is furred-out with either wood strapping or a rain screen matrix, allowing air to circulate behind the cladding to facilitate uniform drying.

About Kebony

The company's global headquarters is based in Oslo, Norway, with production

facilities in Skien, Norway, and Antwerp, Belgium. The Kebony USA team is located in St. Clair, Michigan, with local representation both on the East and West Coasts. Kebony has received numerous awards for its environmentally friendly technology and innovation, including its naming as a World Economic Forum Technology Pioneer and a Global Cleantech 100 company. Kebony has been embraced by leading architects, designers and developers, which are served through a global sales and distribution network.

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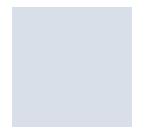
Kebony is a Norwegian company which aims to be the **leading wood brand and technology organization**. Underpinned by proven timber modification technologies, it produces an enhanced wood of a superior quality that is both environmentally friendly and cost-effective.

The company's **headquarters is based in Oslo**, with its production facility in Skien, South of Oslo. Currently employing about 60 people, Kebony has subsidiaries in Norway, Denmark and Sweden, sales representatives in Germany, France, UK and the US and a wide distribution network internationally. Shareholders are leading the venture with private equity investors from Germany, France, UK and Norway. The company has received numerous awards for its environmentally friendly technology and innovation, including its naming as a World Economic Forum Technology Pioneer.

The **Kebony® technology** permanently transforms sustainable wood species such as pine into Kebony wood with features that are comparable, and in some cases superior, to those of precious tropical hardwoods. This unique environmentally friendly process is also a superior alternative to traditional wood treatment based on impregnation with biocides (wood preservatives). The company's patent-protected production processes yield products that deliver major improvements in durability and dimensional stability, at the same time as being highly attractive. The Kebony products are suitable for a multitude of applications and designs – encompassing both indoor and outdoor applications.

Kebony's mission is, through active innovation, quality thinking and understanding of commercial possibilities; give the world beautiful, long lasting and environmentally friendly wood products. The company will show social responsibility and contribute to improvements of the environment in a way that builds a better future.

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