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Two Pickard Chilton-designed Office Towers in Houston, TX Reach Completion

(New Haven, Conn. – March 6, 2018) – Pickard Chilton, an award-winning architecture studio best known for its innovative and cutting-edge design of corporate headquarters and campuses, announced the completion of two significant projects in Houston, TX – **609 Main at Texas** and **Amegy Bank Tower**.

Standing 48 stories high, **609 Main** is a 1,850,000-square-foot, Class A, next-generation office tower in Houston's Central Business District.

Considered one of the most ambitious skyscrapers developed in downtown Houston in years, the sustainably-designed tower includes an underfloor air system, 'smart' elevators, a sophisticated safety system, and flexible floor plates that allow daylight deep into the building.



The tower will be clad in high performance floor-to-ceiling glass, offering panoramic views of greater Houston. In addition, the podium conceals parking for 1500 cars and features an expansive roof terrace.

609 Main's prestigious tenant roster includes United Airlines, which is bringing together 1,400 employees from other offices in the city. The new United Airlines regional corporate headquarters will include a tech center, temperature-adjustable personal work stations, and two outdoor roof terraces. Tenants will have access to a modern café in the "hotel-style" amenity-rich and tech-savvy lobby as well as a shared conference facility, a fine dining restaurant, and a fitness center. The office tower is at the intersection of the METRORail and bus lines, with a direct connection to the downtown pedestrian tunnel system.

Pickard Chilton also announced the completion of the **Amegy Bank Tower** within the Post Oak Park section of Houston's Uptown District. The 23-story, 860,000 square-foot office tower



features a gently curved glass façade that maximizes the views of downtown Houston and the Galleria.

The tower rests atop and integrates an enclosed eight-level parking podium. The podium roof accommodates a 10,000 square-foot conference pavilion surrounded by gardens.

“Houston is a great city. We are honored to again be able to contribute to Houston’s skyline,” said Pickard Chilton Principal Jon Pickard FAIA. “We have designed these next-generation office buildings to provide healthful

working environments with generous access to daylight, abundant fresh air, and flexibility in planning. They both foster a culture of creativity, collaboration and efficiency while providing a vibrant, dynamic social experience.”

Pickard Chilton has extensive experience working both in Houston and across Texas, having developed nearly a dozen projects in the area including [ExxonMobil’s Houston Campus](#), [BHP Billiton Headquarters](#), the [ConocoPhillips West Campus](#), and [BG Group Place](#), among others.

ABOUT PICKARD CHILTON

Pickard Chilton is an international architectural practice noted for its expertise in the design of large, complex and often high-profile buildings including corporate headquarters, high-rise commercial office towers, hotels, and academic and health care facilities. The firm’s layered perspective informs all of the its work, presenting clients with a sophisticated, knowledge-based approach that emphasizes design vision, integrity, a focus on client objectives, and exceptional service. Headquartered in New Haven, Conn., the firm’s recent completed projects include: Northwestern Mutual Tower and Commons in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; River Point in Chicago; and ExxonMobil’s Campus in Houston. Current projects include Canal Place for Dominion Energy in Richmond, Va.; and a mixed-use project in Tampa, Fla.; as well commercial developments in Tokyo, Japan, Washington, D.C., Calgary, Dallas, Houston, and Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Visit www.pickardchilton.com for more information.