



**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE:
OUTSTANDING TENANT OFFICE**

**Petrocosm
Marketplace**

The first global Internet marketplace created and owned by the energy industry. Petrocosm Marketplace is located in 44,000 sq. ft. of space on the 8th and 9th floors of One BriarLake Plaza in

PROJECT TEAM

GENERAL CONTRACTOR: Cadence
McShane Corp.
LOCATION: Houston
OWNER: Chevron Business
& Real Estate Services
BUILDING MANAGER: Tishman
Speyer Properties
ARCHITECT: Facilities Design
International
MEP ENGINEER: ATI - Advanced
Technologies Inc.
CONTRACT: \$4.6 million

Houston. Cadence McShane served as general contractor for the new e-business company that operates 24 hours a day.

With a glass entry and a granite floor reception area on the 9th floor. Petrocosm's space features an executive board room constructed with nova-wall soundproofing; decorative sandblasted glass panels in cherry millwork; and equipped with data and video conferencing capabilities. The executive offices and mini conference rooms are also enhanced with cherry millwork. Break rooms on both floors are equipped with mini-kitchens, exercise equipment, recreational equipment, shower facilities and sleep rooms for support of the organization's 24-hour operation. Stainless steel and glass decorative stairs between floors creates easy access throughout the space.

A host of challenges were inherent in the finish-out of this space as the con-

stantly evolving realm of e-commerce demands state-of-the-art design and engineering. The focal point for the headquarters space is expansive computer data rooms and R&D labs.

The goal of architect Facilities Design International was to create an exceptionally high image corporate environment for Petrocosm's innovative entrance into the expanding world of eBusiness commerce. Because of the fast track schedule, construction actually began before architectural plans were completed. The result is a space that blends three different facets of e-commerce: beautifully appointed executive office and boardroom areas, upscale finishes in the "trading floor" workstation area, and the high technology and multiple redundancy of the computer data rooms that are consciously highlighted for showing off to prospective clients and buyers.