

Huitt-Zollars moving headquarters to new 17Seventeen McKinney building

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A new Uptown office tower has its first major tenant.

Developer Granite Properties has leased 40,000 square feet in its new 17Seventeen McKinney high-rise at Akard Street and McKinney Avenue to Huitt-Zollars, the Dallas-based engineering and architecture firm, said Granite chief operating officer Greg Fuller.

The 19-story, 361,000-square-foot office building just north of Woodall Rodgers Freeway is the most recent high-rise office project to be completed in the Dallas area. Granite started the building more than a year ago with no lead tenant.

During that time, the economy turned down, but the developer forged ahead.

With the first lease in place, Granite is working to find tenants for the rest of the building, which overlooks Dallas' Arts District and Woodall Rodgers Deck Park, which is under construction.

"We have another 45,000 square feet of leases we are working that will probably be finalized this week," Fuller said.

Huitt-Zollars is moving from 3131 McKinney. The firm has worked on local projects ranging from DART's light-rail system to the FedEx distribution complex in North Fort Worth. The company has operations outside Texas in New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona, California and Washington.