

PROJECT DATA

EDS RIVER EAST CENTER
DETROIT, MI

Client

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Architect

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Size

400,000 sf

Cost

\$20,000,000



Detroit's Renaissance Center, designed in the 1960s, was undergoing renovations. The complex was acquired by the General Motors Corporation (GM) and transformed into their global headquarters. Consequently the building had to be redesigned for global businesses that were GM's key suppliers.

JM Olson Corporation (JMOC) was hired as the General Contractor for the renovation of one of the buildings existing towers, the EDS River East Center. The 400,000+ s.f. , logistically challenging renovation included 21 floors of office and conference space connected to the Renaissance by a shared lobby with a common space of approximately 26,000 s.f. In addition, infrastructure and life-safety upgrades were part of the project.

The project was on an extremely tight, fast-tracked schedule. The renovation was characterized by several unique features to attract suppliers and high-technology market segments, they include the incorporation of glass walls to provide transparency and natural light as well as a more secure entrance. Additionally strong wood tone contrasts with a light limestone floor and a progressive elevator skin gave the lobby a timeless appearance. Tenants benefits include a high level of corporate and property security and improved circulation through the reconfigured space.

Cost-savings were realized through the early involvement and continuous communication with the Owner

