

## The “Tree of Light”

*Design Solutions decks the halls of Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center using Eastman Spectar™ copolyester.*

### A tall order: challenge accepted

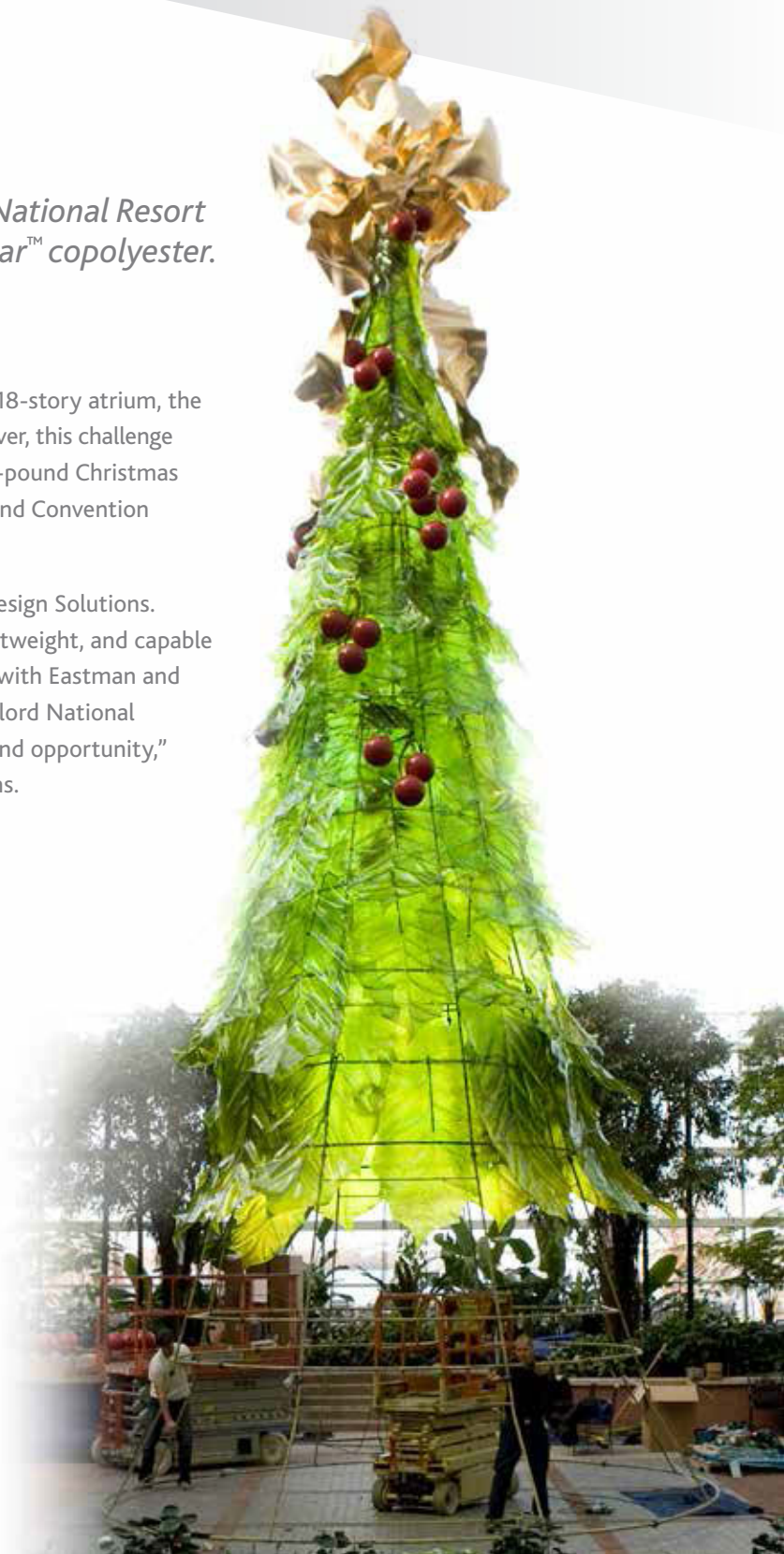
When designing and constructing a dazzling display for an 18-story atrium, the expression “tall order” was quite the understatement. However, this challenge didn’t stop Design Solutions from creating a 60-foot, 7,000-pound Christmas tree display for the atrium in the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in National Harbor, Maryland.

The bigger the challenge, the greater the opportunity for Design Solutions. Knowing they would need a material that was flexible, lightweight, and capable of color tint to create a design such as this, they partnered with Eastman and chose Eastman Spectar™ copolyester for the job. “The Gaylord National display was both a one-of-a-kind challenge and one-of-a-kind opportunity,” says Steven Stefanou, president and CEO of Design Solutions.

### Dazzling holly

Although Christmas comes once a year, the Tree of Light made its mark for much longer. With 108 holly leaves, 8 to 12 feet long, this piece of art was classified as brilliant. The dramatically lit green leaves glow from within and the reflective Eastman Spectar™ copolyester resembles the patterns of a kaleidoscope.

“When we color tint Spectar for our various design applications, it takes on the appearance of art glass as it captures the reflective and translucent qualities of glass, while radiating brilliant color shadows,” explains Barbara Buxton of Design Solutions.



*Standing at 60 feet high and weighing 7,000 pounds, Design Solutions created a majestic Christmas scene using Eastman Spectar™ copolyester.*

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