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Aragon Construction On Track To Complete 8,000 Plus Sq Ft Built-Out

Leading interior construction firm Aragon Construction has begun work on a build-out for Aksia Research & Management's first NY headquarters at 599 Lexington Avenue. Aksia Research & Management – a research and advisory firm dedicated to providing comprehensive investment advisory services to institutions allocating directly to hedge funds – will occupy all 8,338 ft of the 46th floor in this 47-story building owned by Boston Properties.

Aragon, acting as construction manager, began pre-construction in early November. "We put forth many hours sourcing long-lead items during the pre-construction phase to guarantee the February 1st completion," said Andrew O'Connor, senior project manager from Aragon Construction. "The nine weeks is very aggressive, but doable since all materials were ordered weeks before hammering our first nail on the site."

Aragon is working together with the architectural design firm Mufson Partnership to transform the raw space into a sleek and powerful office. The grand entrance consists of a spectacular stone floor, back painted glass walls with stainless and wood surrounds and curved, glass panels on the ceiling, which extend down into the reception area.