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Local Man Receives Consultant of the Year Honors from Wisconsin ENERGY STAR[®] Homes

MADISON, Wis. (February 8, 2007) – Doug Meek of Highland Building Consultants, LLC in Green Bay, Wis. has been recognized as the Wisconsin ENERGY STAR Homes Program Consultant of the Year. The award acknowledges the program consultant who best exemplifies the spirit and commitment to providing professional consulting and testing services to the residential new construction industry in Wisconsin.

Meek, owner of Highland Building Consultants, LLC, has been a program consultant since 2000. In that time he has certified more than 800 homes in the Green Bay and Fox Valley area.

Thanks to the partnership between the Wisconsin ENERGY STAR Homes Program and its consultant network, residents statewide have been able to enjoy new homes that integrate the latest in building science technology, which provides for increased comfort, safety, durability and energy efficiency.

A certified Wisconsin ENERGY STAR Home is one that is designed, built and performance tested to ensure it exceeds nationally recognized and proven building performance standards. As a result, a Wisconsin ENERGY STAR Home is estimated to be 25 percent more energy efficient than a home built to Wisconsin's Uniform Dwelling Code.

“Consultants are crucial to the success of the Wisconsin ENERGY STAR Homes Program,” said Greg Nahn, Wisconsin ENERGY STAR Homes Program manager. “Doug’s dedication to the building industry, as well as his commitment to providing added value to his business and clients is a contributing factor to the program’s growth. Through the leadership of consultants like Doug, we are helping Wisconsin builders build some of the nation’s best homes.”

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About Wisconsin ENERGY STAR Homes

Wisconsin ENERGY STAR Homes is one of the Focus on Energy Residential Programs. New homes are constructed to meet program standards and are estimated to be 25 percent more energy efficient than homes built to Wisconsin's Uniform Dwelling Code. To date, the more than 350 builders who have partnered with the Wisconsin ENERGY STAR Homes Program have constructed over 7,500 new homes. For information about the program, call 800.762.7077 or visit focusonenergy.com.

About Focus on Energy

Focus on Energy works with eligible Wisconsin residents and businesses to install cost effective energy efficiency and renewable energy projects. Focus information, resources and financial incentives help to implement projects that otherwise would not get completed, or to complete projects sooner than scheduled. Its efforts help Wisconsin residents and businesses manage rising energy costs, promote in-state economic development, protect our environment and control the state's growing demand for electricity and natural gas. For more information call 800.762.7077 or visit focusonenergy.com.

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