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PICKETT HOME GREEN CERTIFIED

401 E Winmore Avenue Home Also Selected For Green Home Tour May 3-4

April 16, 2008 (Carrboro, NC)-- Pickett Land & Building Company is proud to announce that their home on 401 E. Winmore Ave. has been awarded green certification by the Green Building Initiative (GBI) and will be featured in the Durham, Orange & Chatham Counties Home Builders' Association Green Home Tour held on Saturday, May 3 and Sunday, May 4.

This is Pickett Land & Building Company's second home to be awarded GBI certification. The GBI is a national program whose aim is to develop green building programs modeled after the National Association of Home Builders' (NAHB) Model Green Home Building Guidelines. This home is also Energy Star rated.

The home is located in the new Winmore mixed-use neighborhood, which has its own standards and requirements for green building. This Chapel Hill home is a stylish 5-bedroom, 4 1/2-bath traditional two-story home with an unfinished third floor. It has met the GBI's strict standards in six areas: Lot design, preparation and development; Resource efficiency; Energy efficiency; Water efficiency; Indoor environmental quality; and Operation, maintenance and homeowner education. In addition to tight construction and advanced duct sealing, the home features solar water heating, a radiant-heat barrier in the roof sheathing that deflects 80 percent of the sun's heat, a sealed and conditioned

crawlspace, dual-flush toilets, low-VOC paints and native plants with drip irrigation in the private courtyard.

Pickett Land & Building Company is a small, local family business with offices in Carrboro, NC. Steve Pickett has been building in and around Chapel Hill for over twelve years and has built in such neighborhoods as Meadowmont, Hunt's Reserve, Creekwood, Cross Creek and many more. Other members of the team are his wife Linda Pickett, his daughter Camille Swann, and his son-in-law Andrew Moore. Their current projects include single-family homes in Winmore and Chapel Ridge, and condominiums at Townside Terrace, a 14-unit luxury condominium project in the heart of Chapel Hill. All units will be Energy Star-rated and certified by the Green Building Initiative.

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