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Production begins on The Incredibly Green Home

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Production begins today on The Incredibly Green Home of Chevy Chase, a showcase of the latest high end and affordable green products, technologies, and methods.

The first on-site phase of the project will be recycling the existing home at 5133 Fairglen Lane, Chevy Chase, Maryland. Second Chance Inc., a Baltimore deconstruction and architectural salvage non-profit corporation today began pulling up flooring and removing valuable fixtures for reuse.

The Incredibly Green Home will be built by Bethesda Bungalows, a local custom home builder specializing in Craftsman, bungalow and prairie-style homes. The home was designed by Christian Gladu of the Bungalow Company of Bend, Oregon. A noted author and home designer, Gladu is a long time advocate of sustainable home building.

The Incredibly Green Home will be *LEED for Homes Platinum* certified, the highest level of achievement on the LEED scale. The U.S. Green Building Council has developed the *Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System™*, which encourages and accelerates global adoption of sustainable green building and development practices through the creation and implementation of universally understood and accepted tools and performance criteria.

The home will also be Energy Star certified. Energy Star is a joint program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy designed to help us all save money and protect the environment through energy efficient products and practices.

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Local support for The Incredibly Green Home

Leading manufacturers and local tradesmen have generously pledged products and services to The Incredibly Green Home initiative. These include:

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| Structural Systems of Thurmont, MD | Bartley Corporation of Silver Spring |
| Amicus Green Building Center, Kensington | Acker Plumbing of Kensington |
| ARS HVAC of Manassas, VA | Barron's Lumber of Gaithersburg |
| Architectural Ceramics of Gaithersburg | Mulherron Tree Experts of Bethesda |

Interior Design will be provided by Urban Country of Bethesda who will select a variety of green-oriented furniture, lighting, and décor.

Additional project consulting will be provided by Lee O'Neill of CGE Solutions, Ashburn VA and Amicus Green Building Center, Kensington, MD.

The home is expected to be completed in August 2009 to be followed by a month long open house for the public.

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