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HUNLEY WATERS, SOUTH CAROLINA'S FIRST GREEN-BUILT, WATERFRONT COMMUNITY, BREAKS GROUND ON FIRST PHASE OF CONSTRUCTION

NORTH CHARLESTON, SC—DECEMBER 18, 2007—1,000 dump trucks of soil have been delivered, 16,000 cubic yards of quality soil have been added, 37 old gravel pads have been demolished, and outdated infrastructure like corroded sewer and water lines have been removed. The construction is underway for **Hunley Waters**, South Carolina's first green-built, gated, waterfront community. This new in-fill development, built within the Noisette community and situated on the banks of Noisette Creek, features 36 elevated, quality-built, ecologically-sensitive coastal cottages, a central pond, park benches, tree-lined sidewalks, a walking trail along the riverbank, and a community pavilion and dock. Pricing in the first phase of homes will range from \$348K to \$419K, and over half have already been sold. Landscaping and amenity installation is set to begin in January 2008.

The homes, designed by renowned Charleston-based firm, **Beau Clowney Design**, range in size from 1,700 to 1,996 square feet and feature open and functional floor plans, lots of windows for great views, 9 and 10 foot ceilings, parking, adequate storage, expansive wraparound front porches with exposed rafters, private back decks, partial tin roofs, and cutting-edge appliances. Built by **Haven Custom Homes** in Ridgeland, SC, the coastal cottages are both ENERGY STAR and EarthCraft Level 2 certified, meaning that they are extremely energy-efficient, durable, and environmentally-friendly. Obtaining the EarthCraft certification can increase the energy efficiency of a home by 20% to 35%, which can result in lowered utility bills and a reduction of over 1,100 pounds of greenhouse gases introduced into the atmosphere each year. Additionally, because the homes are partially built in Haven's off-site, climate controlled facility, construction time is much shorter than with traditionally built homes.

Award-winning local landscape design firm, **DesignWorks, LLC**, devised a "green scheme" for Hunley Waters that incorporates landscaping features that serve to protect the natural environment while preserving what is already there. DesignWorks will plant a native-based landscape of flora and fauna that are low-maintenance and require minimal watering. The neighborhood pond, enhanced with these native plants, was designed with environmentally-sound storm water drainage and retention capabilities by local engineering firm **B.P. Barber**.

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All homes will also be wired as "smart" homes, meaning that each dwelling will have the ability to control all lighting, sound, video, alarm systems and many other options, even when not at home. In addition, security cameras will be installed at the front gate and wired to each individual home for monitoring, so that safety is never a concern. Hunley Waters will also be a Wi-Fi Knology community.

The team behind Hunley Waters strongly believes in and supports the revitalization of the North Charleston area, and will continue to forge strong partnerships with The City of North Charleston and likeminded businesses developments, such as the Noisette community.

"The regeneration of this site is a massive step forward for the redevelopment of North Charleston," stated Billy Shuman, Director of Sales for Hunley Waters. "The engineering, design and planning team members of the Hunley Waters project have taken into account the most advanced standards of practice concerning sustainability and green building techniques. These waterfront homes are an incredible value when compared to similar opportunities in surrounding areas, such as Daniel Island, which is surprising given the fact that North Charleston is one of the fastest growing economic areas in the state."

As a testament to how much the Hunley Waters team stands behind the value of the product, Shuman, along with his wife and young daughter, will be moving into Phase One of the neighborhood development upon completion and are excited to call Hunley Waters home.

For more information about Hunley Waters, contact 843.906.1159 or visit www.hunleywaters.com. A full web site will be launched in early January 2008.

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