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Highly Sustainable Tradical® Hemcrete® Makes Its Debut in the United States

Chicago, IL: American Lime Technology is pleased to announce its inaugural project, which represents the first use of the highly sustainable Tradical® Hemcrete® building system in the United States. This “green” project will be comprised of a chapel and a pottery studio that are being commissioned by Caribe Properties in Montgomery, Texas. According to Gail Moran, president of Caribe Properties, “having originally been drawn to lime products for aesthetic reasons, I was thrilled to learn that these products also held ‘green’ properties. The discovery of Hemcrete® was a great bonus because not only could I obtain the thick walls that are crucial in the design of these structures but I could also have a ‘breathable building.’”

Although new to the American market, Tradical® Hemcrete® has been used successfully in the United Kingdom and Europe for over ten years. This proprietary system, which relies on sustainably produced hemp shiv and lime binder, is being used to construct seamless walls and to insulate floors and roofs. The resulting buildings are thermally efficient, attractive, pest-resistant, fire-resistant, and durable, and these nontoxic, all-natural materials contain no harmful chemical. Unlike typical new construction materials, hemp and lime are breathable, which discourages harmful mold growth while providing better air quality for the building’s occupants.

Construction on the two buildings is underway. The general contractor for the project is Don Mapston of Mapston Contracting, Conroe, Texas. The Hemcrete® contractor is Monaco Restorations, Inc. of Southbridge, Massachusetts. Construction site tours will be available to all interested parties. To arrange a tour, please contact Bruce Petersen at 773-414-5486.

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American Lime Technology (AMT) is a joint venture of UK-based Lime Technology Limited and U.S. Heritage Group, Inc., which is located in Chicago, Illinois. AMT is the exclusive North American distributor of Hemcrete® construction materials, a highly sustainable hemp-lime product that can be used to create insulating walls in new structures or to retrofit existing floors, roofs, and walls with thermally efficient, breathable insulating layers. www.americanlimetec.com

Caribe Properties is a general construction/commercial develop company based in Woodlands, Texas that is meeting the local market need for smaller (5000 – 15,000 S.F.) office and warehouse buildings.

Don Mapston of Mapston Contracting (Conroe, Texas). Don has been in the commercial and residential construction industry for more than 30 years. Donald Mapston founded his company on the philosophy of providing quality workmanship, performance, economy and integrity.

Monaco Restorations, Inc. was established in 1989 with the single goal of providing the highest quality craftsmanship to the historic community. The combination of "old-world workmanship" and today's modern technology allow them to achieve the highest standards in structural preservation. www.monacorestorations.com