

## Youngquist Homes Officially Recognized as a “100% Builder” Cary Homebuilder Meets 100% ENERGY STAR® Commitment

**CARY, NC – March 06, 2008** – When Youngquist Homes joined ENERGY STAR as a partner last year, the Cary homebuilder also chose to make a commitment to building 100% of their homes to ENERGY STAR performance guidelines. The ENERGY STAR New Homes Team recently notified Youngquist Homes that the builder has satisfied the requirements to be officially recognized as a “100% builder”. Only forty-five (45) the 407 North Carolina new home builders currently listed in the ENERGY STAR partner directory have earned the “100% Builder” designation. Youngquist Homes will soon receive a plaque from ENERGY STAR in recognition of making this special commitment.

ENERGY STAR qualified homes are independently verified to meet strict guidelines for energy efficiency set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). These homes save money on utility bills, provide a more comfortable living environment with better indoor air quality, and help protect the environment. The EPA’s message to homebuyers is, “green building starts with ENERGY STAR blue”.

In addition to meeting ENERGY STAR requirements for green building, Youngquist Homes has worked on a local level with the Wake County Home Builders Association and three other local counties in developing a revised Energy Code and Green Building Code to improve voluntary efforts to build eco-friendly homes in North Carolina. Youngquist Homes is an official member of the four-county Green Building Council.

Youngquist Homes is an award-winning Cary builder specializing in ENERGY STAR qualified custom homes and townhomes in the \$500,000-\$1 million+ price range. Green Building Tours are available upon request. Decorated model homes are open daily at Tryon Villas in Cary. More information is available at: [www.EnergyStar.gov](http://www.EnergyStar.gov) and [www.YoungquistHomes.com](http://www.YoungquistHomes.com).