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## MEDITERRA'S FIRST FLORIDA GREEN BUILDING COALITION-CERTIFIED MODEL HOME NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION

NAPLES, Fla. (April 10, 2006) – Boran Craig Barber Homes' newest model home, currently under construction in Mediterra, will be the first in the community certified by the Florida Green Building Coalition. The Modena will be the first home in the 1,697-acre Naples community that carries certification as a green home, with features that save energy and water, improve indoor air quality and follow environmentally responsible building practices, including the use of recycled and reclaimed content.

The Modena will have energy- and water-conserving appliances and a central dehumidification system – a feature that one coalition member calls smart and important.

Jennifer Languell, CEO of Trifecta Construction Solutions and a member of the green building coalition, said the system is the first she's seen installed in a Southwest Florida home.

"It keeps the relative humidity below 60 percent – the magic number where mold can't grow and dust mites won't survive. It's a really smart thing to do," she said.

Languell said the Modena will include an Energy Star-rated clothes washer that uses 50 percent less energy and up to 62 percent less water than a standard washer, and a dishwasher that uses 22 percent less energy and 50 percent less water.

Energy Star is a government-backed program and designation given to household products that meet strict energy efficiency guidelines set by the EPA and Department of Energy. The program saved enough energy in 2005 to avoid greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to 23 million cars and saved Americans \$12 billion on their utility bills.

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The Modena will also use a minimal amount of carpeting to promote indoor air quality. Carpeting can trap dust and mites and certain types can emit potentially harmful volatile organic compounds.

At 6,800 square feet of living space and 9,015 total square feet, Languell said the model is "a big home but it will save energy and water."

The four-bedroom, four-and-one-half-bath Modena is being built on a lakefront and golf course homesite in Bello Lago. It is expected to be completed in March 2007.

Features of the two-story home include a wine cellar, butler's pantry and elevator. The model will offer a library, a guest suite with a private entrance and a large outdoor living area with a custom pool and spa and a summer kitchen. It will also have a multifunctional entertainment room, featuring a wet bar, billiards table and theater.

The Modena will feature interior design by Collins & DuPont and is expected to be priced at \$5.85 million, furnished.

The Bonita Bay Group is developing Mediterra with the same commitment to meticulous planning, environmental stewardship, integrity and attention to detail that is evident at its flagship community, Bonita Bay. Bonita Bay received the development industry's highest international honor when it was named the Outstanding Large-Scale Community of the Year by the Urban Land Institute.

Mediterra recently has been named Community of the Year by the Collier Building Industry Association for the fourth consecutive year, and received the Award of Excellence for Open Spaces from the Florida Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects. The community is being created with the intimacy, charm and classical style of the Mediterranean region of Europe. The overall master plan for the 1,697-acre community may include up to 950 residences and more than 1,000 acres of open space.

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Residents are eligible for membership in The Club at Mediterra, which offers two Tom Fazio-designed championship golf courses, a 25,000-square-foot clubhouse, named best clubhouse in 2004 by the CBIA, and a tennis, swim and fitness center. The private Mediterra Beach Club on the Gulf of Mexico features an elevated swimming pool, expansive sundeck, and indoor and al fresco dining overlooking 200 feet of shoreline.

All residents enjoy miles of bicycle paths and nature trails leading to a series of themed neighborhood parks. Parque Celestial, featuring an array of astrological references, was awarded the American Society of Landscape Architects' Florida Chapter Award of Excellence. The community's second park, Calusa Play Park, offers children and adults an opportunity to learn more about the Calusa Indians, the earliest inhabitants of Southwest Florida.

The Club at Mediterra has been honored with the 2002 Environmental Leaders in Golf Award from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and Golf Digest magazine in the private course category, and it is the first-ever 36-hole course to earn Audubon International's Silver Signature Sanctuary status.

Mediterra Realty is now offering villas from more than \$1 million, single-family homesites from \$400,000 and custom homes from \$1.6 million to more than \$7 million. Residential offerings currently include single-family neighborhoods, some with oversized homesites and luxury villa neighborhoods. Mediterra is a private, gated community. For information or to tour the homes and homesites with a sales agent, visit the Mediterra Sales and Information Center, located just inside the entrance to the community on Livingston Road two miles north of Immokalee Road in North Naples. For additional information call toll free (800) 775-3560, or visit the Web site at www.mediterranaples.com.