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Beazer Homes Applauds Imagine Homes for Winning Prestigious Green Building Award

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ATLANTA, May 11 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Beazer Homes (NYSE: BZH), one of the nation's top 10 homebuilders, applauds its partner Imagine Homes for receiving a prestigious industry accolade for bringing affordable green options to single-family new home construction.

Presented by the National Association of Home Builders during its 11th Annual National Green Building Conference in Dallas, May 8-10, Imagine Homes received the top award in the category of most affordable single-family green home. The recognition marked the second time in as many years that Imagine Homes of San Antonio has been distinguished for its excellence and innovation in moving green features and sustainable construction practices toward the mainstream in production building. Last year, Imagine was awarded top honors for green building in the production home category.

"This is a tremendous achievement for the Imagine Homes team and we congratulate them for all the hard work it has taken to get to this level of recognition," said Ian McCarthy, president and CEO of Beazer Homes. "Our collaboration with Imagine has been of tremendous benefit as we strive for fresh and affordable ways to bring eco-friendly features to our own buyers."

As a principal investor in the San Antonio builder since 2006, Imagine's success in green building helped inspire the national rollout of eSMART by Beazer Homes(TM) last year. As the first program of its size by a national builder, it includes a bevy of standard eco-friendly features designed to increase energy and water efficiency and improve indoor air quality in every Beazer home.

Beazer's planning and design team, in researching ways to expand its eco-friendly program, continues to glean valuable information on green home design, building techniques, and new materials through access to Imagine's builders, engineers and architects. Additionally, the builder-partners share research data and customer feedback which gives Beazer first-hand insight into what customers' value most in an eco-friendly home.

"Our relationship with Imagine is probably the closest that any production builder has come to having a true R&D center to test new products and building methods," said McCarthy. "As we expand our eco-friendly program, we will continue to draw on Imagine's expertise as an award-winning green home builder."

About Imagine Homes

Imagine Homes is San Antonio's only true "green" volume homebuilder that combines innovation and craftsmanship to build healthy, energy-saving and environmentally responsible homes. The company was the first to build all homes under both the federal Energy Star program and the Build San Antonio Green program, co-administered by the Greater San Antonio Builders Association and the Metropolitan Partnership for Energy. Established in 2006 by Jim Bastoni and John Friesenhahn, Imagine Homes has grown quickly with homes built or under construction in six high-growth neighborhoods throughout the San Antonio area.

About Beazer Homes USA Inc.

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