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West Grove, PA – Hugh Lofting Timber Framing, Inc. is pleased to announce that it now provides design-build services to clients who desire high efficiency, sustainable homes. “We work with clients, starting with initial design, to create beautiful, energy-efficient homes and buildings that are easy to operate and easy to live in. Our team has acquired the expertise to take a client from initial ideas and dreams all the way through move-in,” says Hugh Lofting, Company President.

We employ an integrated management approach to design and construction. We first study the site to determine optimal building orientation; We then use a systematic approach to achieve high R-values and tight construction. We utilize earth-based HVAC systems, including solar thermal, photovoltaic, and geothermal, in a cost effective manner.

Integrated project management from inception employs the use of Building Information Modeling (BIM), CAD design, and energy modeling. Hugh Lofting Timber Framing assembles design and construction teams at design inception to share ideas, air and discuss problems, and identify solutions. This team can include many sources of input, including the owner, the general contractor, project neighbors, future project occupants, electricians, plumbers, HVAC mechanics, engineers, building inspectors, and local officials.

Hugh Lofting Timber Framing and the project's integrated project management team designed and is completing a LEED Homes registered residence outside of Annapolis, MD. This home is designed to work with the earth. “The house is sited to maximize passive solar gain in the winter and is designed to be shaded from too much sun in the summer,” says Hugh. Passive design coupled with tight construction utilizes the heat energy of the sun to warm the home. For really cold days, peak heating demand will be met with two wood burning stoves and a geothermal heat pump.

Recently, Hugh Lofting Timber Framing assembled an integrated project management team that included the homeowners, plumber, HVAC contractors, architect and the design-build contractor, Hugh Lofting Timber Framing, to design and construct a new home for a couple looking to simplify their lives while affording room to their extended family. This home, located in Kennett Square, PA, features efficient wiring and mechanical layout to reduce installation and material costs, tight construction with optimum R-values, passive design technologies and maintenance free materials.

“We feel that offering design-build services is a natural extension of our core timber frame business. The company has long been a proponent of building with an eye toward the environment and is committed to the support of the community and the environment. “ says Lofting, “Working with clients to meet their home sustainability goals of reducing energy consumption and leading a more healthy life is one way to reflect our company mission in a purposeful and powerful way.”

Company Information

For over 30 years, Hugh Lofting Timber Framing, Inc has been committed to the highest level of professionalism. Incorporating advanced technology with old world craftsmanship, Hugh Lofting Timber Framing, Inc. is dedicated to hand-crafting energy-efficient homes and structures that are elegant and distinctive. One at a time.

Hugh Lofting Timber Framing, Inc is a member of the US Green Building Council and its Delaware Valley chapter. To assist clients, Hugh Lofting Timber Framing has a LEEP-AP on staff

Recent Hugh Lofting Timber Framing projects that incorporate sustainable techniques include the:
new Dansko facility - http://www.hughloftingt看berframe.com/new_gallery/compages/dansko.html,
Spirt Residence - <http://www.hughloftingt看berframe.com/Green/spirt.html>,
Big Cat Falls Pavilion at The Philadelphia Zoo http://www.hughloftingt看berframe.com/new_gallery/compages/zoo.html
Topel Residence - <http://www.hughloftingt看berframe.com/Green/Topel.html>