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VERMONT NATURAL COATINGS SELECTED FOR FINISH ON MOVIE SCREENING “BARN” FOR FILMMAKER KEN BURNS

WALPOLE, NH, July 30, 2012 – When actors, screenwriters, producers and guests join famed documentarian Ken Burns to screen a film, they'll do so in a historic looking custom built barn that features Vermont Natural Coatings inside and out. Walpole's Bensonwood Homes was retained by Burns to construct a classic 19th century barn that will serve as a screening facility as well as guest quarters for visitors.

“I've wanted to build a barn since I was six years old,” Burns said in a statement to local media. “I'm in the business of history, of trying to make the past come alive. Thanks to the many talented folks at Bensonwood, I've been able to translate that passion into a tangible, physical building that feels old and realize that life-long dream.”

Burns, known for his documentary The Civil War currently is promoting his latest film, The Dust Bowl. He credits Bensonwood founder Tedd Benson with succeeding in design and construction of a “functional space that evokes not only the ancient barns of New England but its spiritual spaces as well.”

Some materials were salvaged from an old barn on Burns' property and local hemlock, white pine and chestnut were the primary woods used in construction of the barn. The hemlock was milled for vertical siding, which was coated with Vermont Natural Coatings' PolyWhey® Exterior Finish.

Vermont Natural Coatings is a Hardwick, VT based, environmentally sustainable business producing naturally derived wood finishes without any toxic chemicals. PolyWhey has emerged as a new category of wood finish with the performance and durability of oil-based finishes and the application ease of water borne finishes with none of the negatives associated with each.

PolyWhey is a patented formula using whey, a byproduct of cheese making, as its linchpin ingredient. PolyWhey began as collaboration among farmers, furniture makers and scientists at the University of Vermont to expand the value of Vermont agricultural and forestry industries.

The company manufactures a full line of floor, furniture and exterior wood finishes that have been named a Top 10 Building Product and heralded as a durable finishes meeting the highest environmental and professional standards.

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