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May 17, 1999

Mr. Sandy Berger
National Security Advisor
Ground Floor, West Wing
The White House

Dear Mr. Berger:

I'm requesting guidance from your office relating to the implementation of our revolutionary American home building technology, which we would like to employ in Kosovo for the purpose of helping to rebuild the badly destroyed housing infrastructure there for the thousands of families who have been forced to flee that troubled province. As a concerned American citizen of Czech descent who, like yourself, learned early on and never forgot the lesson of Munich, I want to applaud your efforts and resolve in finally drawing a line and saying "enough" to Milosevic's crazed efforts to create his ethnically pure Greater Serbia. It's a shame that you weren't in office and able to call a halt to this madness back before Bosnia was put through its agonies, but that is past history. Now we need to keep going, persevere and finally root out Milosevic's malignant strain of Neo-Stalinist Nationalism, once and for all. At the same time, while the NATO military forces are doing what they need to do, we also need to prepare to do what we can - whatever it takes - to help the Kosovar families that have been uprooted and made homeless. That's something we want to help accomplish.

Winning the war and establishing a reasonable level of safety in Kosovo is up to the military. But while they are doing that, we need to be preparing to move in quickly and help provide the hundreds of thousands of displaced Kosovars with a way to either acquire temporary, adequate shelter from the elements, repair their partially destroyed homes, or build new homes. If they have to spend the winter in uninsulated tents in that climate, many more of them will perish, especially the old and the very young. The world needs to act now to get ready to help them reconstruct their lives and their homes. We have a way to help with that - to quickly, efficiently and economically make a significant contribution to easing their precarious housing situation. We hope that your office can direct us to a funding source that can provide working capital for this effort.

I have seen, at first hand, just how the destruction was perpetrated in Bosnia, and from what I've been able to observe from outside the province, the damage appears to be following the same pattern in Kosovo. For every home that is completely destroyed there are perhaps ten or a dozen that have been gutted, partially destroyed or just damaged - usually needing a new roof, some windows,

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doors and other minor repairs. Much of the worst destruction seems to be in smaller villages, places that are out of the way and difficult to reach. But these are the very places where people will need to return to their own land in order to make a living, so there will have to be a well-thought out implementation plan ready to go in and supply the materials and technological help to get as many of these places habitable as soon as possible - before the snow flies.

That's what we would like to apply ourselves to. We have a totally unique construction system that could be a partial solution to this overall problem. We developed a master plan to use it to build emergency and permanent housing in Russia for the returning soviet military personnel and their families back in the early 1990s. Unfortunately, the in-fighting between USAID, the Congress and various Russian interests diluted our effort for that project - but we did learn how to cope with conditions similar to what we know will exist in Kosovo and Albania when the shooting stops. (We understand all about security and how to get things done in places like that.) All we need to get started are some operational funds.

This time, we would like to come in and operate directly with the people on-the-ground, to train workers, produce, and distribute the required materials and erect the structures or make the repairs required so as to get as much housing back into usable condition as possible - as soon as possible. If you can direct us to a source of funding - even enough to just get started - we'll get underway within 72 hours. The first thing we'll do is process and ship over a complete model home that we can quickly erect to show the people in the camps just how we are going to help them to overcome their distress and get a fresh start. We could ship a complete "kit" from our facility in Florida within two weeks. If you could arrange to have the military fly it over for us, we could have a complete sample house there, fully erected, within a month. Imagine what a boost that would give to the refugees in those terrible camps!

The same plan we had for use in Russia could be implemented within 90 days to put in place a plant to produce the energy-efficient, environmentally friendly EPS building material and to produce from it entire house "kits" that could be easily transported to every village and farm in Kosovo that needs them, via existing and available methods of conveyance - we can even use the ubiquitous tractors and wagons we see everywhere there.

The AMHOME system is ideal for this situation and climate. It builds homes quickly using expanded polystyrene - a material for which the feedstock arrives in a highly compact form to be quickly expanded to more than 50 times its original volume. This highly insulative material is then quickly processed using our patented, low-skill technology into lightweight components that become both stay-in-place insulation and the forms for the monolithic concrete and steel structure that completes the skeleton of the home or building. We can use locally available steel reinforcement bars and cement - just 3.5 cu. meters of concrete form the entire skeletal structure of a 120 sq. meter home - to quickly and easily build strong, safe, weather tight, energy-efficient homes, schools, clinics and other buildings.

Hundreds of homes have already been built with this EPA approved system, and more are going up every day. (You can see just how the system works from the enclosed materials or at our web site - www.amhomeusa.com).

We have a plan to provide all the equipment, training, materials and supervision to jump start a home building and repair operation in Kosovo. the likes of which the world has never seen. This project would have the capacity to cost-effectively produce thousands of complete "kits" for homes that would be well suited for that area and the needs of the population, and to re-roof and repair many times that amount - and do it in record time. We can provide - in place within 90-120 days - an up and running EPS production plant that will produce more than 100,000 board feet of 1# density EPS per 8 hour shift. This material can quickly be processed and employed using the patented AMHOME technology to cope with a major portion of the rebuilding process necessary. We estimate the cost for putting this complete pilot project in place would be about \$5.6 million dollars, and we are ready to implement it immediately so that we could be ready to move in and get to work as soon as the fighting stops. There is no better system, anywhere in the world, for producing quality, cost-effective, energy-efficient housing in a situation like this.

You can see from the enclosed material just how unique and foolproof the system is. We can put the plant in place in any existing structure of the appropriate size that has water and electrical connections. The plant will produce enough of this excellent, fireproof and environmentally-friendly building material to make a very significant contribution to the restoration of Kosovo. Our system is so unique that we can take two people who have never done anything like this before and train them, within a single day, to be able to generate all the block components for two entire 1200 sq. ft. houses in a single eight-hour shift. The only tools they will use to do this fit into a rolling cabinet not much bigger than a golf cart. The entire wall structure for a 120 sq. meter single story home requires just 35 components, each of which weighs less than 40 pounds, so there is no need for heavy materials handling equipment on site. (Men and women, entire families can work together to build AMHOMES. These giant "building blocks" are so precisely processed when they leave the factory that the entire house can be laid out and erected by just following the color-coded schematic, without even the need to take on-site measurements, and the system works well with people who speak different languages. (The system is currently being considered for the construction of mass housing in both China and South Africa.)

We think it would be a smart investment for our government or the NATO alliance to sponsor this kind of activity. It will save lives and show the world how much better it is to think positively rather than spout negative and divisive rhetoric. We need to get to work on this now, right away, so that we can render as much help as possible to the people that need it the most. I have been checking with suppliers and equipment sources, and we are all in agreement that the situation is such that it demands that we cut through the bureaucracy and get going now. Please ask your staff to help us to rectify this situation. Thank you.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Donald Spatny', with a stylized, looped initial 'D' and a horizontal line extending to the right.

Donald Spatny

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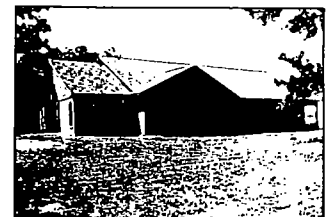
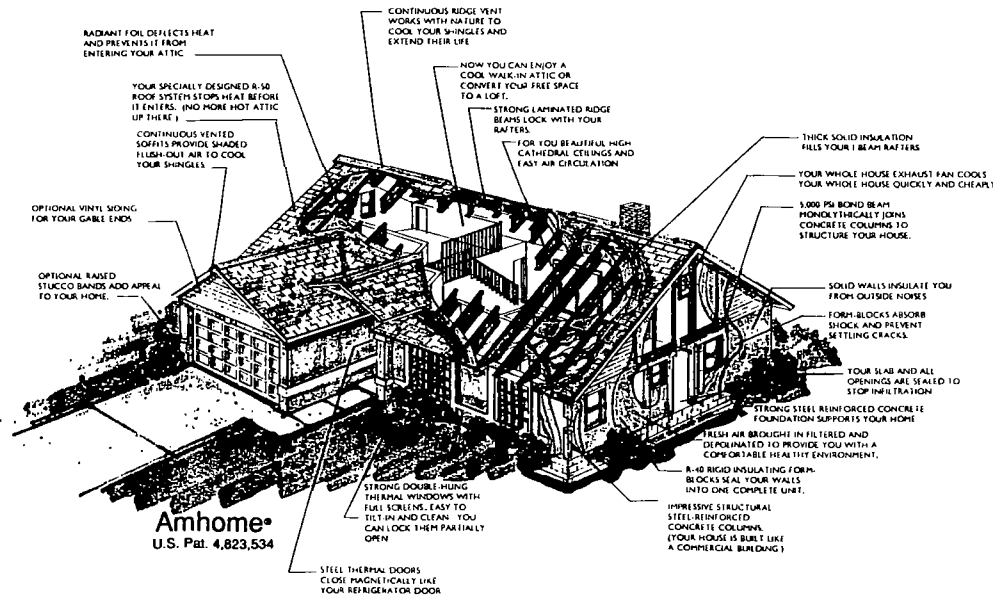
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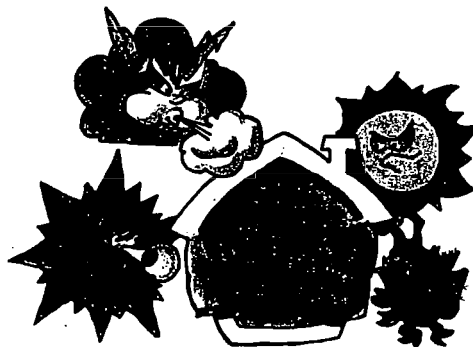
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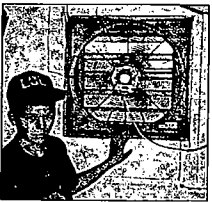
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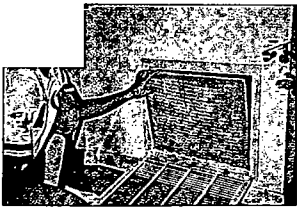
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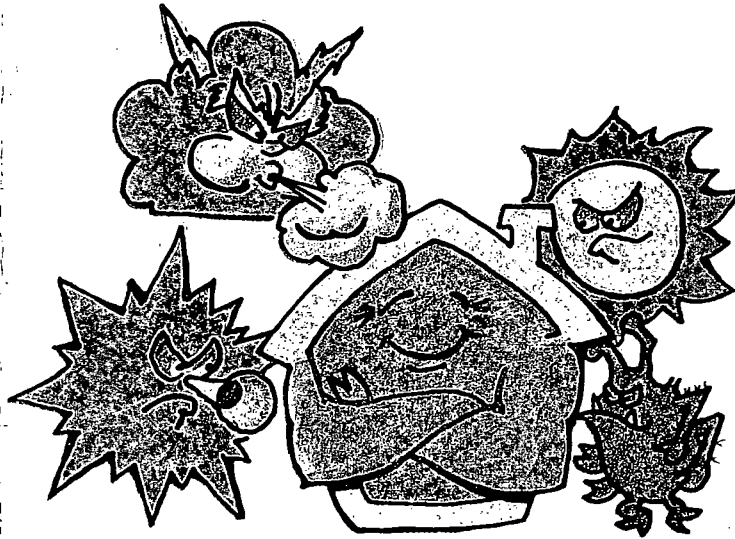
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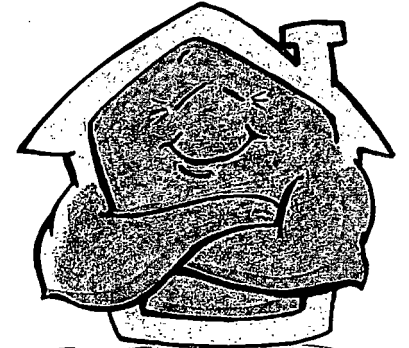
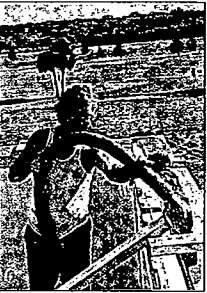
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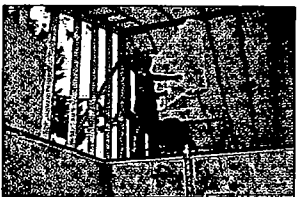
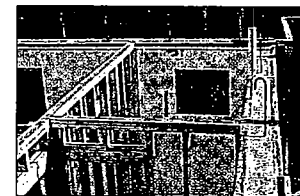
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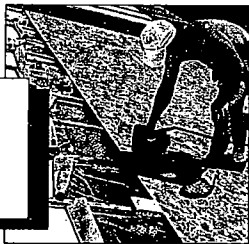
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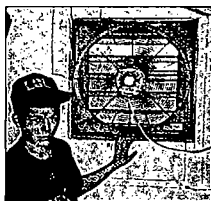


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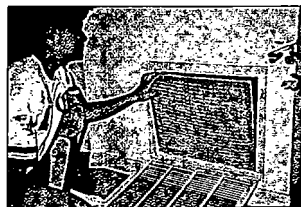
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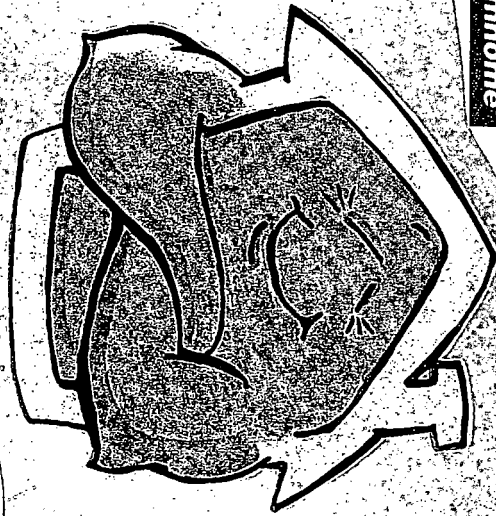
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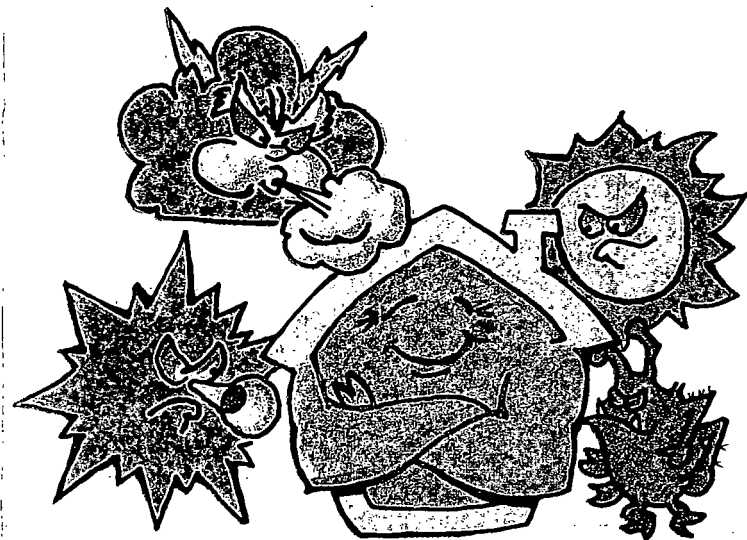
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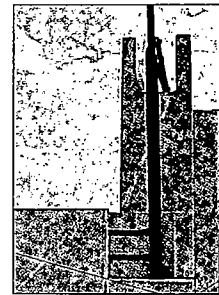
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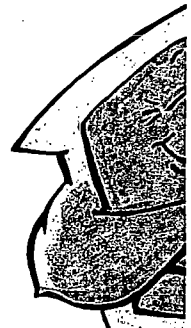
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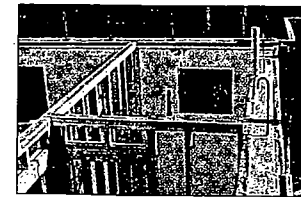


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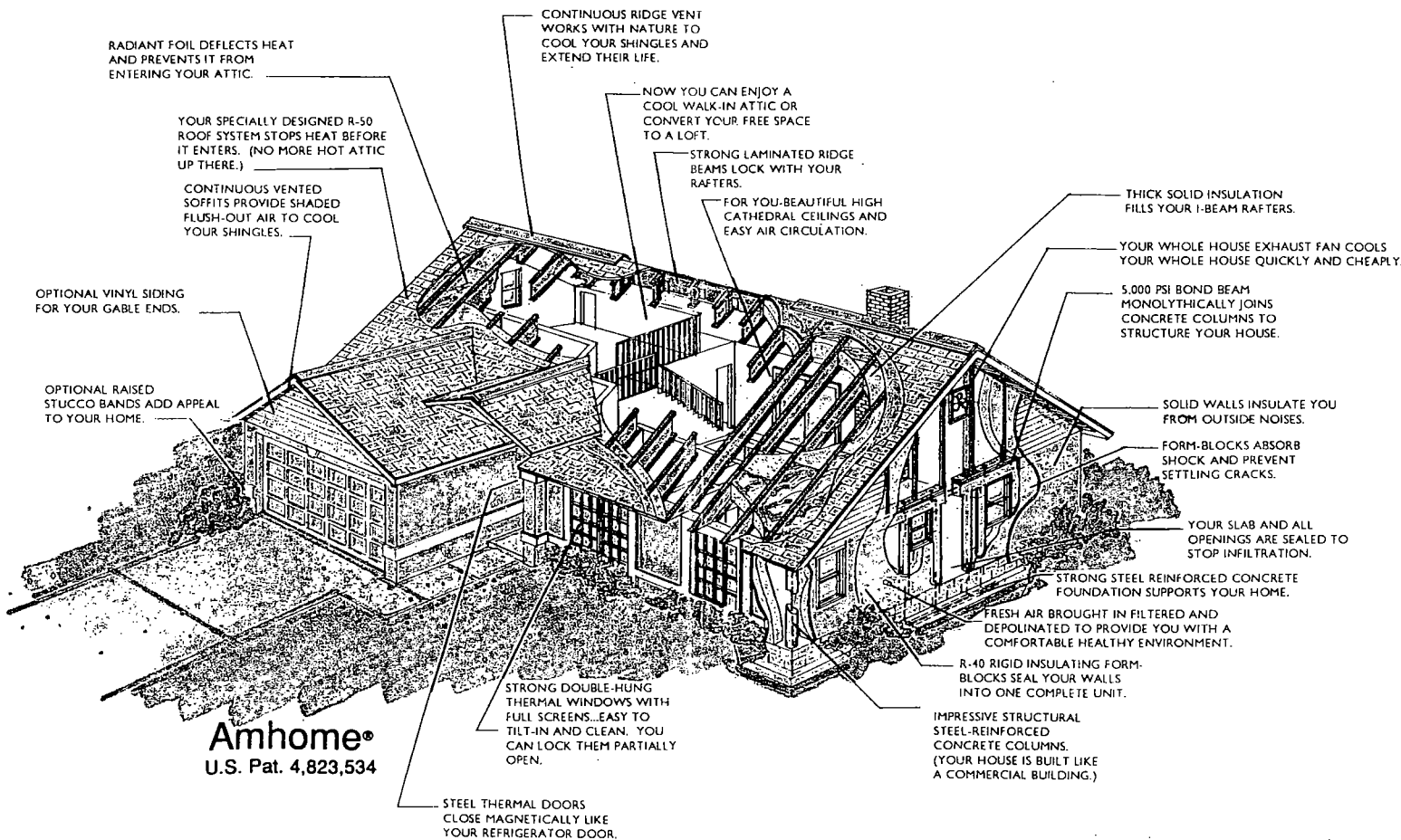
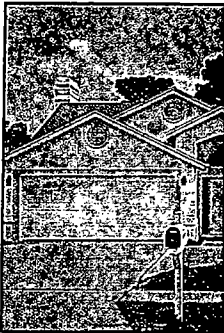


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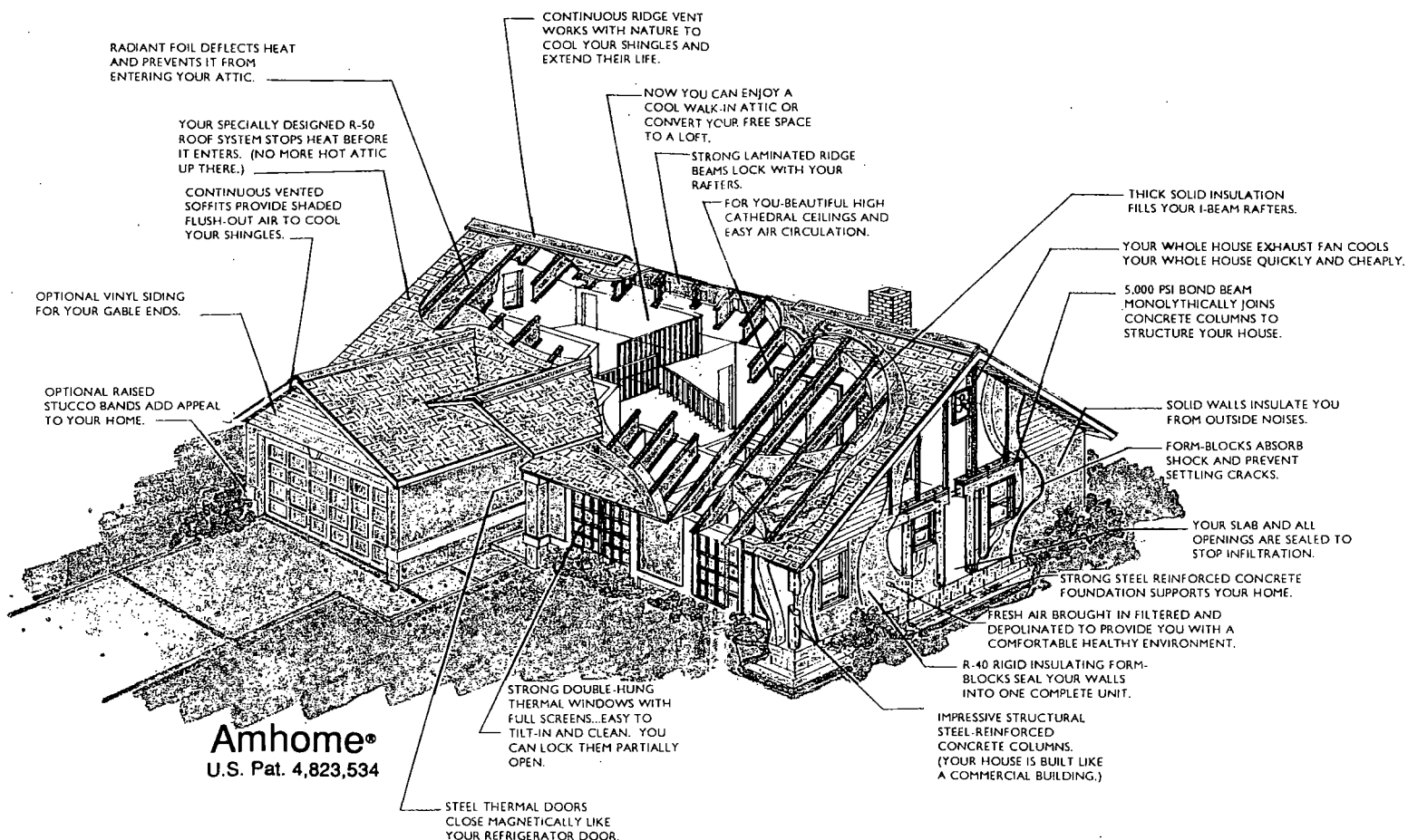


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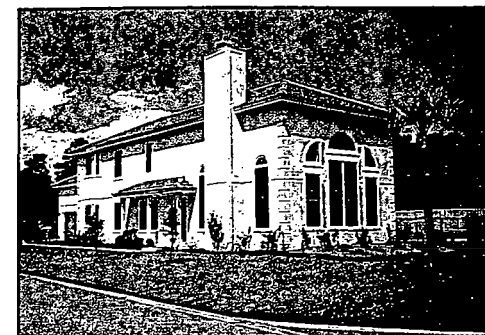
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The AMHOME System vs. Conventional Construction - Environmentally Speaking.

The Structural components in the **AMHOME Patented Construction System** - super-strength 5,000 psi concrete, reinforcing steel, and engineered wood products are all in plentiful supply and do not degrade the environment.

Our use of rigid EPS (Expanded Polystyrene) as both insulation and forming material for the concrete post and beam structural skeleton is the key to the **AMHOME System**. Our confidential specification modified EPS is a non-toxic, odorless, inert, organic material produced from petroleum and natural gas by-products. One cubic yard of oil will make enough EPS to build ten average size **AMHOMES**. No ozone-depleting CFCs or HCFCs are used in its manufacture. It provides no nutritive value to plants, animals or micro-organisms, and so will not rot or attract rodents, insects, or other pests. It is highly resistant to mildew.

Manufactured from a closed-cell, lightweight, resilient foamed plastic composed solely of hydrogen and carbon atoms, it provides and maintains indefinitely a typical resistance to heat flow - known as the R-value - of 4.17 per inch (at 40° F). Its cellular structure holds only stabilized air, it is non-toxic, resists moisture, "breaths" to allow vapors to escape, and withstands limitless freezing cycles without loss of structural properties. It has excellent sound-absorbing qualities and a high strength-to-weight ratio. Over the last four decades, rigid EPS has been proven in use around the world where hundreds of millions of board feet have been used as insulation. Our use of this material generates no scrap that is not recycled.

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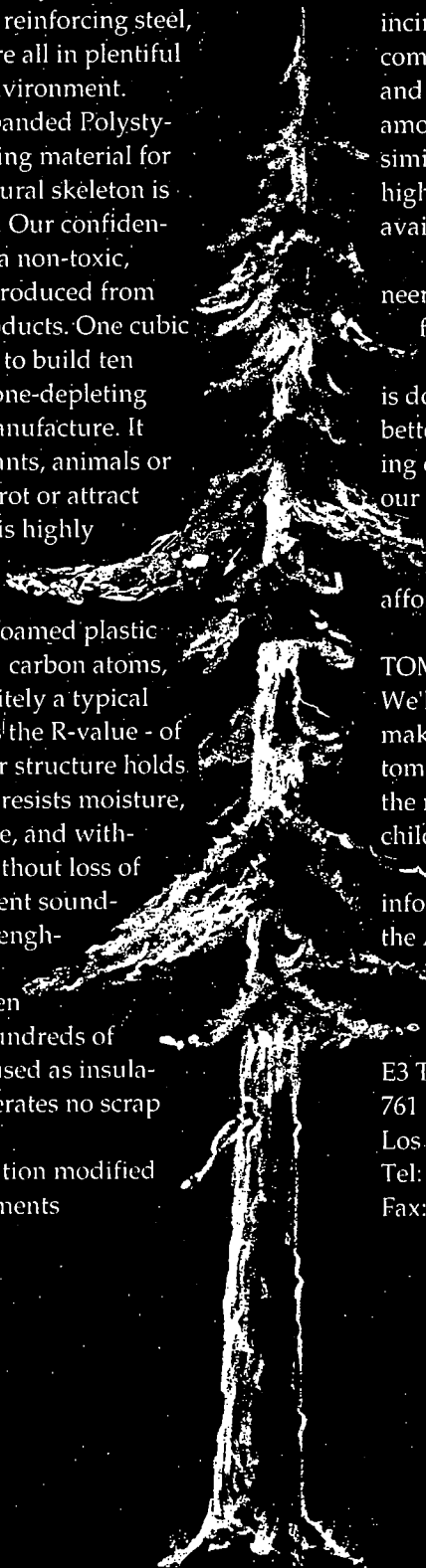
of the major building codes, has a flame spread rating of 10, and virtually will not burn. When incinerated, the by-products of its complete combustion are only carbon dioxide, water vapor and trace elements of non-hazardous ash - in amounts lower than that produced by burning a similar quantity of plain wood. EPS offers the highest R-value per dollar of any commercially available insulation material.

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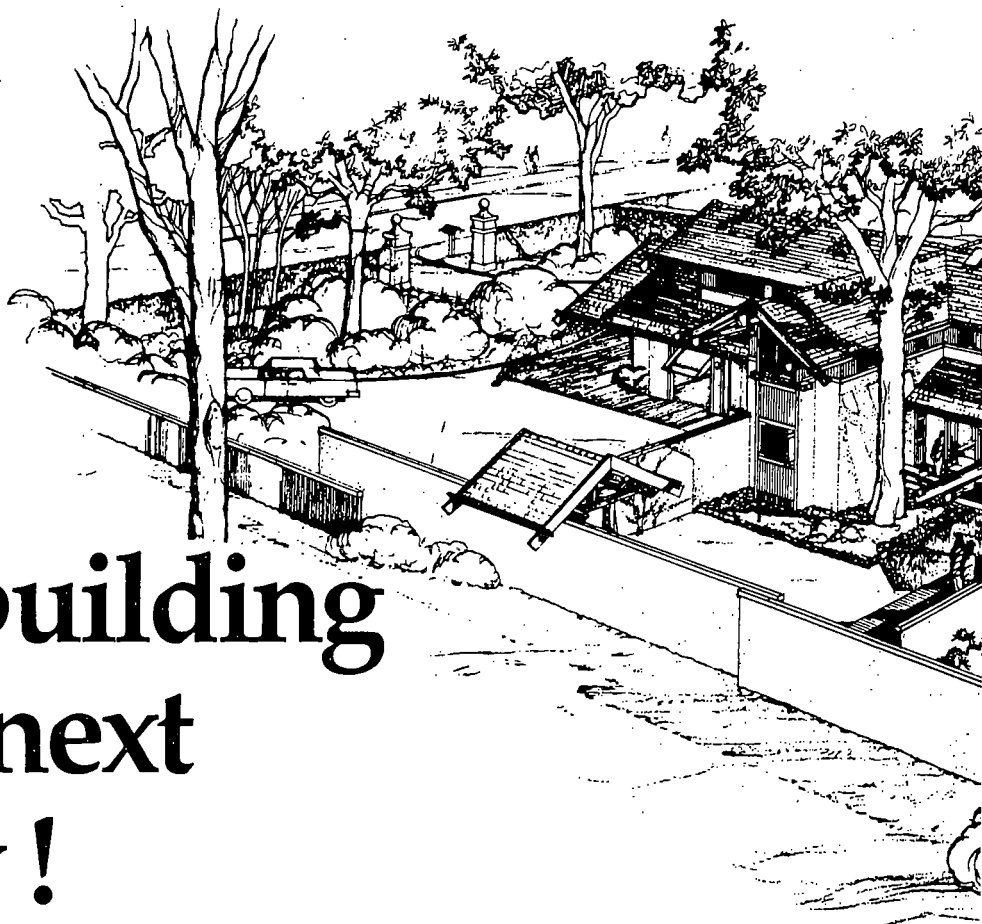
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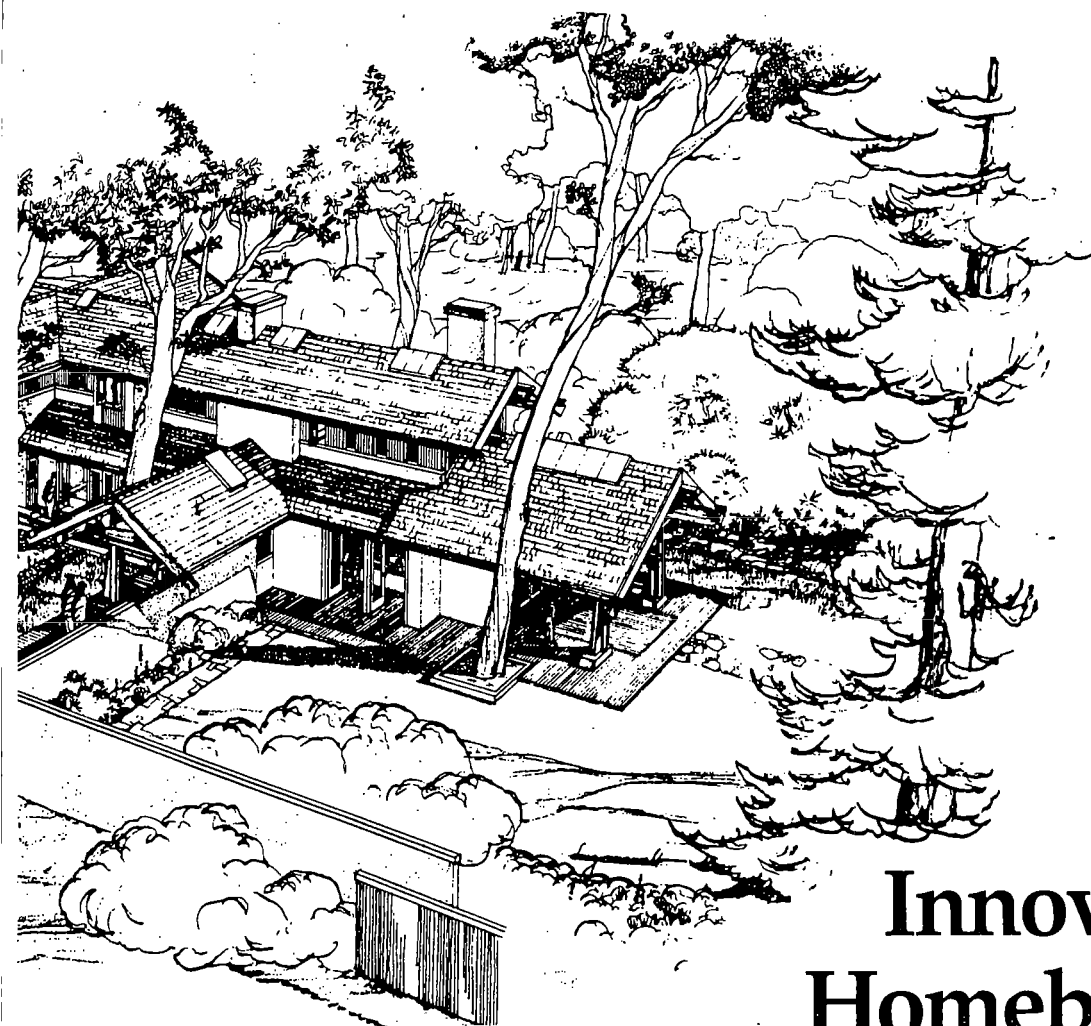


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The result - a home that is stronger, quieter, cleaner, and healthier for you and your family, one that will dramatically lower your energy costs for heating and cooling - month after month, year after year. Because every **AMHOME** is built right - built to last - leading architects, professional builders, and even do-it-yourselfers are adopting the **AMHOME** System for their new homes. You should too. You can't build a better way.



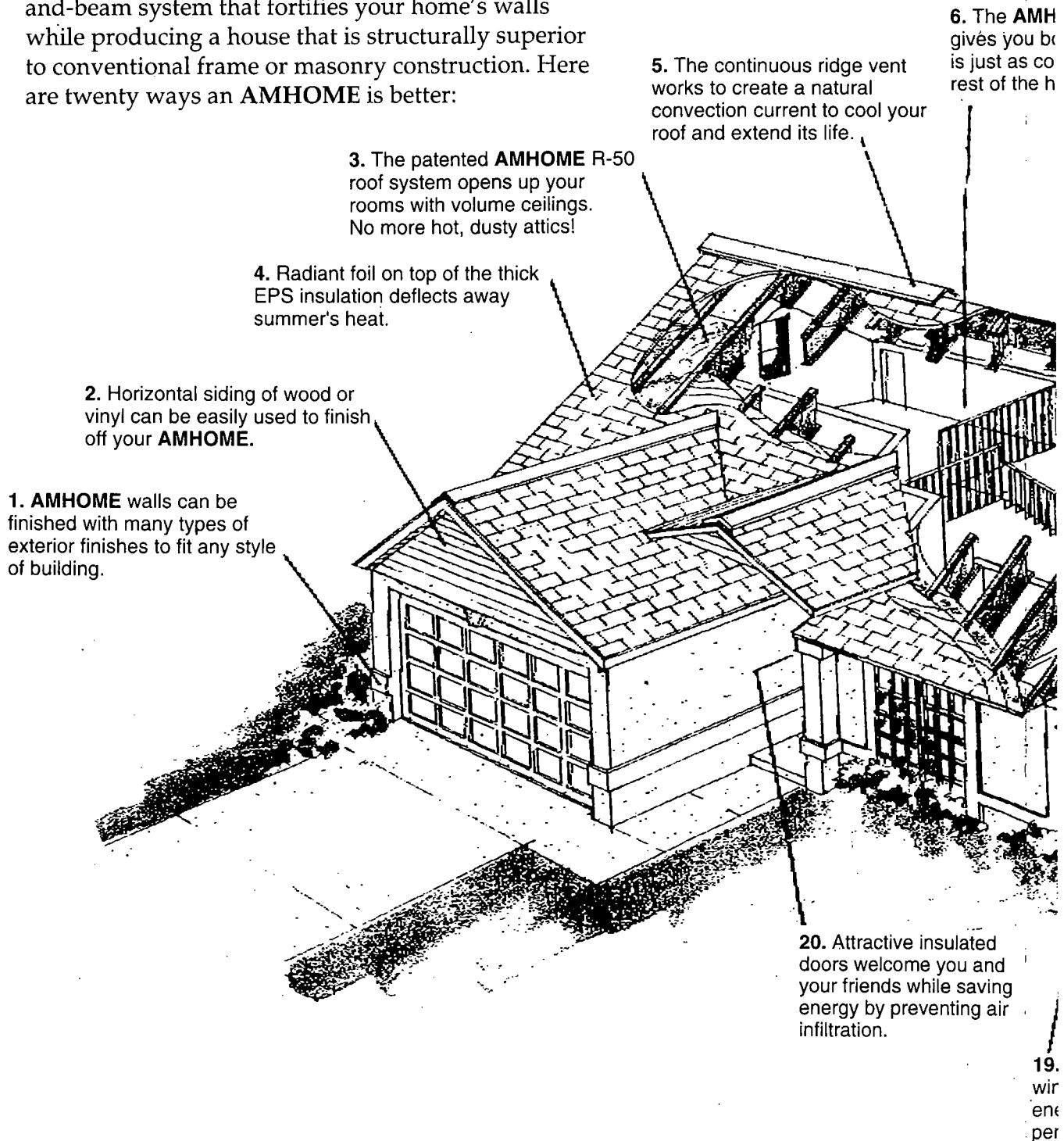
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Underfoot, rigid EPS insulates your floor, creating a low level comfort zone. In the walls, every **AMHOME** provides R-40 insulation to lower your heating and cooling bills, and make your home stronger and quieter. Overhead, the **AMHOME Patented System** utilizes I-Joists, Lam Beams, and thick EPS rigid insulation to generate, pound-for-pound, the strongest and most energy-efficient roofing system(R-50) yet developed. When you build the **AMHOME** way, you get more house for your money, all around.

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7. Engineered rafters and beams are stronger
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8. High cathedral ceilings provide better
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9. Solid EPS insulation gives your **AMHOME** the
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10. The built-in whole house ventilation system
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11. A strong monolithic super-strength concrete
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13. Thick EPS panel/blocks are concrete forms and
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14. Walls are solid, with no voids for insects or
rodents to enter. **AMHOMES** are much quieter too.

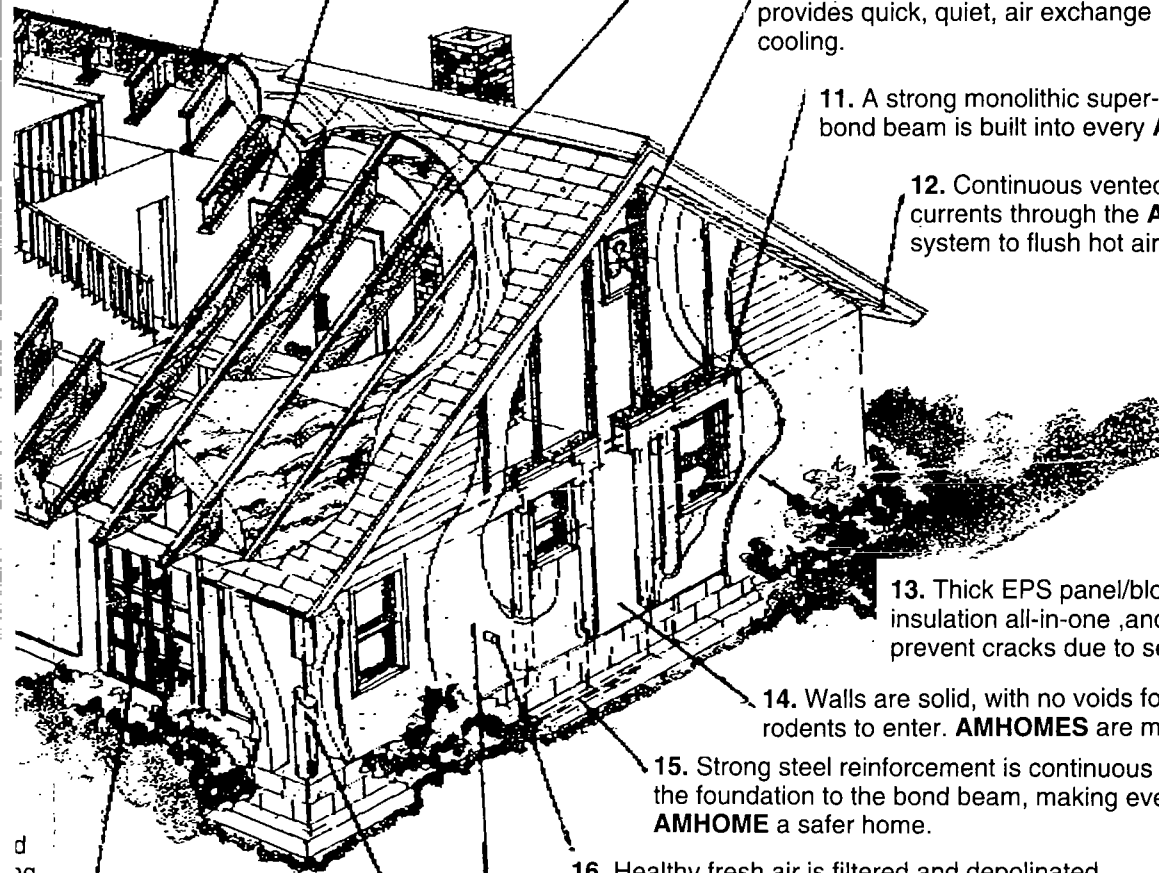
15. Strong steel reinforcement is continuous from
the foundation to the bond beam, making every
AMHOME a safer home.

16. Healthy fresh air is filtered and depollinated
before it enters, making your **AMHOME** a cleaner
and healthier environment for you and your family.

19. Thermally efficient
windows cut down on
energy costs and sound
penetration.

17. The rigid EPS R-40 wall insulation is sealed
into one continuous unit, making every **AMHOME**
stronger and draft-free.

18. Built like a commercial building, your **AMHOME**
is supported by a network of steel-reinforced
concrete columns tying the entire house into the
foundation.



Why are houses so expensive? Why do they use so much energy? Why can't somebody do something?

We are all aware that the cost of housing has skyrocketed over the last twenty years. A great part of that increase has been in the cost of land, permits, and impact fees, which are beyond the ability of the average home builder or buyer to control. But when it comes to today's construction and tomorrow's energy costs, that's a different story. That's where the **AMHOME Patented Construction System** can save you real money - today when you build, and for all the tomorrows that you live in your new home.

For example, the national average square foot cost for building a wall with various construction methods has been calculated as follows:

Conventional stick-built, (insulated to R-33 only)	\$3.72
Standard concrete block, (insulated to R-22 only)	\$8.45
AMHOME Patented Construction System, (Insulated to R-40)	\$2.69

Note: This cost data was derived from the 1991 National Cost Estimator. Local prices and conditions may vary. Savings in building an R-50 insulated roof are even more startling.

Regardless of the costs of labor and materials where you live, over the life of your home, there is no more economical construction method than the **AMHOME System**. Wherever you live, whatever the climate, if you want to build a better, quieter, stronger, more energy efficient house, faster and for less money, a home with much lower day-to-day operating costs and better health qualities, you owe it to yourself to look into an **AMHOME**. If you are interested in preserving our common environment, saving the forests and lowering the amount of carbon dioxide emissions that contribute to ozone depletion, you need to investigate the **AMHOME System** ! Call today to order your Videotape and complete information package.



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Today, building high energy efficiency into your new home just makes good sense. With energy costs predicted to double by the end of the decade, you can count on the **AMHOME Patented Construction System** to save you big dollars - year in and year out - over the entire life of your home.

"Energy Savings Add Up to Big Money"

Think about this: If the super-efficient **AMHOME Patented Construction System** lowered your energy bill just \$75 dollars a month, and over the life of a 30 year mortgage that money was invested at 10% APR, you would have saved over \$169,000. In practice, **AMHOME's R-40 Wall and R-50 Roof System have been proven to work together to generate documented savings of 60% and more on monthly utility bills.** Coupled with AMHOME's lower construction costs, that translates to money in your pocket - when you build and while you enjoy your new home. Isn't that reason enough to make your next home an **AMHOME**?

Professional Builders who are interested in becoming **AMHOME** licensees, please call or write for our **PRO-BUILDER HABITAT 2000 Package**.