HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Your Roof Tops Off Appearance Of Your Home

(NAPSA)—If you want to add to the appearance and resale value of your home, start at the top. Experts point out that a new roof is one of the best ways to add to your home's marketability.

Surprising to many homeowners is that 40 percent of a home's "curb appeal"—how it looks to passersby—comes from the roof. For those eager to profit from that knowledge, there's a Web site that allows you to see just how dramatic an effect different shingle colors and designs can actually have.

At the site, www.gaf.com, there are two options: "Learn About Roofing" and "Learn About Warranties." Click on "Learn About Roofing" to get started.

Spot Roofing Problems

The "Key Danger Signals" section helps you spot roofing problems before they turn into damaging leaks. For example, it explains how a faulty roofing system can cause excess energy bills or even blistering of your internal or external paint.

The "Why Use A System" section explains why a good roof job is more than just banging up some shingles. It helps you to understand the primary elements of a properly designed roofing system, which can provide comprehensive protection for your home. For example, you'll see how a small investment in a leak barrier can help prevent problems in the most vulnerable areas of a roof.



THINGS WILL LOOK UP for the looks of your home when you do something about your old roof.

See How The Roof Will Look

The "Select A Shingle" section provides a wide selection of home styles so that you can find the home that looks similar to yours. You then select colors for the home and trim. Then, view this home with various roof shingle designs and colors to get a better sense of the "curb appeal" you can create.

The "Learn About Warranties" section explains different options you might select to protect your new roofing investment—all of which are backed by GAF Materials Corp., the nation's largest roofing manufacturer. For example, one limited warranty not only protects your roofing investment against material defects, it actually backs the installation and workmanship by specially trained, factory-certified contractors as well.

For more information, visit www.gaf.com.