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Under-Deck Drainage System Provides Attractive, Finished Appearance

(NAPS)—For most homeowners, plans to store items beneath outdoor decks have been, well, all wet. Rainwater drips through, soaking the ground—and anything else—underneath.

Now there's a deck drainage system which converts that wet, wasted under-deck area into dry, attractive, all-weather leisure or storage space. The conversion can be done quickly and easily with common tools, and without major renovation.

The DrySpace® deck drainage system—originally designed to divert the rainwater that drips through the deck planks—consists of three easy-to-use, off-white, extruded weatherable rigid PVC parts:

1. A new “U” shaped joist cover (available in six- or 12-ft. lengths) easily slips over the under-deck exposed joists. Simple tacking holds it in place.

2. An innovative “F” bracket fastening clip attaches to the joist sides by nailing firmly but not tightly in place. Space between joists cannot be more than a maximum 16” on center.

3. A rigid 14¼ in. wide concave panel is then snapped, or slid, into the “F” bracket fastening clips with the “V” panel pointing down. The “V” panel is available in either six- or 12-ft. lengths.

Installed, the DrySpace system channels rainwater away from the house to keep the under-deck area dry. In addition, because all under-deck areas have been completely covered in an off-white, three-part system, the result is a very attractive “ceiling” that also serves to significantly lighten the area.



An under-deck drainage system helps improve appearance and storage possibilities. The system installs quickly and easily with common tools, without major renovation.

Installed with a minimum slope of two inches over 12 ft., all three parts of the system can be cut to fit with metal snips or a utility knife.

The all-new DrySpace deck drainage system is manufactured by Crane Products Ltd., and is

backed by a 10-year limited warranty. For the name of the nearest supplier, or for further information, visit the company's Web site at www.dryspace.cc or contact: Crane Products Ltd., P.O. Box 1898, Columbus, OH 43216-1898, phone 800-200-6121.