

## Veerhouse Voda Haiti



Veerhouse Voda house built at 2011 BBBC site in Oranger Haiti

### Company Overview

After touring the devastation, the partners of Veerhouse Voda were struck by the fact that the impact of the disaster could have been lessened by the use of proper construction material and building techniques using conventional building standards. The consortium believes that it can make an immediate difference in the lives of the people of Haiti by providing **high quality housing, construction materials and employment** to those displaced while simultaneously lessening impact of future disaster.

The partners at Veerhouse Voda will implement the Veerhouse building system – a Eurocode certified environmentally sustainable, low cost building system that is **5 times faster than traditional construction methods**. With its intention to create thousands of permanent houses in 3 to 5 years, the partners will build a factory in Haiti that provides EPS, Steel and Mortar needed for the system. There are **5 operational factories worldwide** with an additional 2 set to go online by 2012. This system is being used on Europe, Asia, Africa and South America with orders for more than 18,000 individual homes, and thousands of square meters of industrial parks, schools, hospitals, schools and other commercial property.

The primary goals of Veerhouse Voda are:

- Construction of at least **12,000 high quality houses and other buildings** within 10years
- Provide long term capability to respond to **future environmental disasters** with Post Disaster Recovery Shelters and permanent housing
- **Improve quality of life of local population** through jobs (up to 3,000 direct and indirect per factory), education, vocational training, medical, financial and retirement benefits

The unique points of the Veerhouse Building System are its **earthquake and hurricane resistance** and **eco friendly nature**. All manufacturing of materials and pre-site fabrication will be done in factories built in Haiti providing various benefits to the local population. The **total production time of a 50 m<sup>2</sup> house is less than 5 days**. This building period includes plumbing, electricity, kitchen and sanitation.



Veerhouse Voda factories provide significant benefit to the people and country of Haiti by utilizing local labor pools and providing skilled and unskilled employment with the hope of achieving the UN Millenium development goals. Additionally Veerhouse Voda expects to create growth of ancillary building sectors such as windows, doors, kitchen, bathroom, plumbing and electrical materials.

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