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By Jamie Herzlich / Story A26



**Honorable Mention: Historic Adaptive Re-Use**  
Brandywine Realty Trust, Jericho  
The Baldassano Architectural Group, Ronkonkoma



**Special Award: Windows**  
Russo residence, Locust Valley  
Paul Russo, AIA

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## Cablevision Takes Aim at Napster's Successors

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**N**apster is dead, and now 20 of its successors could bring trouble. Cablevision's high-speed Internet service, Optimum Online, has warned its customers that uploading files using baby Napsters could violate the terms of service.

Optimum Online's warning emphasizes that Napster's successors strain its network. But, without even mentioning the word "copyright," the advisory also satisfies the recording industry's growing concerns about copyright infringement.

Services such as Kazaa and Morpheus, allow Internet users to download not only music but also movies and software — potentially huge files — from the computers of others who participate in the service.

To obtain music, a computer user generally enters a song title or singer and then downloads the music file from the hard drive of another user of the software. The file is usually stored in a shared directory, available to other users through an upload.

Cablevision says the setup essentially makes a home computer a server — a violation of the contract. A server is a computer that receives and sends information upon

request, much like a waiter takes an order and brings the food to the table.

Optimum Online's acceptable use policy prohibits "abuse of a resource," and the terms of service forbids running any server, including "multi-user forums." In an e-mail and a posting online, the company recommended turning off the file sharing on the software — or Optimum Online might temporarily reduce upload speeds.

If users of Optimum and other Internet service providers heed such warnings, it could put a brake on

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