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THE HOME INSPECTION REPORT 07070202B -Property Address: PA 19063



Client's Representative:

Prudential Fox & Roach Realtors



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Inspection Address: Inspection Date: Weather: PA 19063 Time: 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm Sunny - Temperature at time of inspection: 75 Degrees

Inspected by:

Benjamin Gromicko, Vice-President

Client Information: Buyer's Agent: 07070202B -Prudential Fox & Roach Realtors Jim 431 Lancaster Avenue, Devon, PA 19333 Phone:

Structure Type: Furnished: Number of Stories: Wood Frame No Two

Colonial

Structure Style:

Estimated Year Built: 1990 **People on Site At Time of Inspection:**

Buyer(s) Buyer's Agent Seller's Agent

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WHAT REALLY MATTERS IN A HOME INSPECTION

Congratulations on buying your new home.

The process can be stressful. A home inspection is supposed to give you peace of mind, but often has the opposite effect. You will be asked to absorb a lot of information in a short time. This often includes a written report, checklist, photographs, environmental reports, and what the inspector himself says during the inspection. All this combined with the seller's disclosure and what you notice yourself makes the experience even more overwhelming. What should you do?

Relax. Most of your inspection will be maintenance recommendations, life expectancies and minor imperfections. These are nice to know about. However, the issues that really matter will fall into four categories:

1. Major defects. An example of this would be a significant structural failure.

2. Things that may lead to major defects. A small water leak coming from a piece of roof flashing, for example.

3. Things that may hinder your ability to finance, legally occupy, or insure the home. Structural damaged caused by termite infestation, for example.

4. Safety hazards. Such as a lack of GFCI-protection.

Anything in these categories should be corrected. Often a serious problem can be corrected inexpensively to protect both life and property (especially in categories 2 and 4).

Most sellers are honest and are often surprised to learn of defects uncovered during an inspection. Realize that sellers are under no obligation to repair everything mentioned in the report. No home is perfect.

Keep things in perspective. Don't kill your deal over things that don't matter. It is inappropriate to demand that a seller address deferred maintenance, conditions already listed on the seller's disclosure, or nit-picky items.

INTRODUCTION, SCOPE, DEFINITIONS, & COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

INTRODUCTION: The following numbered and attached pages are your home inspection report. The report includes pictures, information, and recommendations. This inspection was performed in accordance with the current Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics of the American Society of Home Inspectors. The Standards contain certain and very important limitations, exceptions, and exclusions to the inspection. A copy is available prior to, during, and after the inspection, and it is part of the report. The cost estimates and video are not part of the bargained-for report.

SCOPE: This inspection complies and reflects with the provision of Act 114, Section 75, known as the PA Home Inspection Law. A home inspection is intended to assist in evaluating the overall condition of the dwelling. The inspection is based on observation of the visible, readily accessible and apparent condition of the structure and its components on this day. The results of this inspection are not intended to make any representation regarding the presence or absence of latent or concealed defects that are not reasonably ascertainable or readily accessible in a competently performed inspection.

No warranty, guarantee, or insurance by PEACH Inspections is expressed or implied. This report does not include inspection for wood destroying insects, mold, lead or asbestos. A representative sampling of the building components is viewed in areas that are accessible at the time of the inspection. No destructive testing or dismantling of components is performed. Not all defects will be identified during this inspection. Unexpected repairs should be anticipated.

The person conducting your inspection is not a licensed structural engineer or other professional whose license authorizes the rendering of an opinion as to the structural integrity of a building or its other component parts.

You are advised to seek two professional opinions and acquire estimates of repair as to any defects, comments, improvements or recommendations mentioned in this report. We recommend that the professional making any repairs inspect the property further, in order to discover and repair related problems that were not identified in the report. We recommend that all repairs, corrections, and cost estimates be completed and documented prior to closing or purchasing the property. Feel free to hire other professionals to inspect the property prior to closing, including HVAC professionals, electricians, engineers, or roofers.

TO BE CONCISE, the following phrases have been used in the report to identify systems or components that need your attention prior to closing or purchasing the property:

MONITORING RECOMMENDED: Denotes a system or component needing further evaluation and/or close observation in order to determine if correction is needed.

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED: Denotes a system or component that should receive normal maintenance, repair, or adjustment in order to function properly.

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED: Denotes a system or component that is significantly deficient or at the end of its service life, and needs corrective action by a professional. We recommend the professional making any corrective action to inspect the property further (further evaluation), in order to discover and repair related problems that were not identified in the report. All corrections and evaluations must be made prior to closing or purchasing the property.

PENNSYLVANIA HOME INSPECTOR COMPLIANCE STATEMENT:

I represent that I am a full member in good standing of the National Association of Certified Home Inspectors (NACHI), www.nachi.org. Member #97010101. Certified Master Inspector ©

I will conduct a home inspection of the previously mentioned property in accordance with the ASHI Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice and the Home Inspection Agreement.

I am in compliance with the Pennsylvania Home Inspection Law.

I carry all the state-required insurance.

Ben Gromicko, Vice-President of PEACH Inspections

Chimney

We are not certified chimney professionals. Only a level two inspection performed by a CSIA (Chimney Safety Institute of America) certified chimney sweep can determine the condition of the flue and wheather the fireplace is safe to use.

We recommend a cleaning and level two inspection of the fireplaces and chimney flues before closing. Clean chimneys don't catch on fire. More information about fireplaces and chimneys can be obtained at www.csia.com.

Fireplace Chimney Prefabricated

There is a pre-fabricated chimney system.

• See Attached Illustration 1



Observations

The chimney exterior sides appear to be in acceptable condition.

Unable to reach the stack to inspect closely.

Crown or Termination Cap

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

The metal termination cap on the chimney stack is rusted. Staining. We do not want water penetration down the stack interior. Correction and further evaluation is recommended.



Chimney Flashings CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED: An open gap at the flashing area - prone to water penetration. Exposed mesh.



There is no kickout flashing used at the rsides of the chimney stack, where the ends of the gutters meet the stack's sides. Correction by a professional roofer is recommended. This may be allowing water draining off the roof to miss the gutter and drain behind the siding exterior covering. If not corrected, this could lead to water penetration and damage inside the chimney wall. Kickouts also prevent water from streaking down the siding exterior covering and causing water stains. We recommend a kickout flashing - an angled piece of metal secured to the roof - to be installed near the bottom of the roof, to direct water into the gutter and away from this siding area. Correction and further evaluation is recommended.



Fireplace Interior MONITORING RECOMMENDED:

There are visible hair-line cracks at the fireplace interior refractory panel. Does not appear to be a major breach in the firewall panel. Monitoring the crack is needed. If the crack opens up anymore, then heat would pass through the barrier and damage the fireplace unit, and also may become a fire hazard.



Damper

The damper opened and closed with normal hand operation.

<u>Roof</u>

We are not professional roofers. Feel free to hire one prior to closing.

We do our best to inspect the roof system within the time allotted. We inspect the roof covering, drainage systems, the flashings, the skylights, chimneys, and roof penetrations. We are not required to inspect antennae, interiors of flues or chimneys which are not readily accessible, and other installed accessories. This is not an exhaustive inspection of every installation detail of the roof system according to the manufacturer's specifications or construction codes.

It is virtually impossible to detect a leak except as it is occurring or by specific water tests, which are beyond the scope of our inspection. We recommend that you ask the sellers to disclose information about the roof, and that you include comprehensive roof coverage in your home insurance policy.

Asphalt shingle

For Your Information

The shingles are comprised of asphalt or fiberglass materials impregnated with mineral granules that are designed to deflect the deteriorating ultra-violet rays of the sun. The most common of these roofs are warranted by manufacturers to last from fifteen to twenty-five years. The actual service life of the roof will vary, depending on a number of interrelated factors including the quality of the material and the method of installation. Regular maintenance will certainly extend the life of any roof.

See Attached Illustration 2



Please refer to the seller's disclosure in reference to the roof system, age, condition, prior problems, etc. Only the property owner would have intimate, accurate knowledge of the roof system. For example, I can only guess the age.



This inspection is not a guarantee that a roof leak in the future will not happen. Roofs leak. Even a roof that appears to be in good, functional condition may leak under certain circumstances. We will not take responsibility for a roof leak that happens in the future. This is not a warranty or guarantee of the roof system.



Method of Evaluation

The roof is steep in areas, and I'm unable to walk upon all of them.

Estimated Age

MONITORING RECOMMENDED:

The roof covering appears to be approaching the end of its service life.

Original to the house. Estimated to be the same age as the house.

The exact age is undetermined. I would guess between 15 and 20 years. Ask seller about exact age and warranties.

Condition

MONITORING RECOMMENDED:

The asphalt shingle roof covering appears to be in good, functional condition. Considering its older age. This is not a brand new roof. There were no major material defects. No major cracked, damaged, or missing shingles. Good.

There is visible erosion of the granular surface of the asphalt shingles. Indicating its older age. May start to deteriorate quickly. Replacement of the shingles is in the near future.



Budgeting for a new roof soon is recommended.

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

There are roofing nails that are backing out and popping through the shingle tabs. These are water entry points. Located on the front side of the roof. Further inspection and correction by a professional roofer is recommended.





Minor repairs are needed at the roof. Correction and further evaluation by a professional roofer is recommended.

Layers

One layer of shingles is readily visible. Good.

Flashings

The flashing around the vent stacks coming through the roof appear to be in good condition. Good.



A representative number of wall flashing was inspected. The flashing where the roof meets the house wall is visible. Good.

Skylights

MONITORING RECOMMENDED:

The roof has skylights. Skylights are notoriously problematic and a common point of leaks. The skylights appear to be in good shape. However, it will be important to keep the area around them clean and to monitor them for evidence of leaks during heavy rains and winter snow melts.



Ventilation

There are soffit vents installed at the eaves.



There are gable vents installed on the sides of the house to ventilate the attic space.

There are passive roof vents installed on the roof.

Gutters & Downspouts

The gutters and downspouts appear to be in functional condition. Good.



Exterior

We are not exterior experts. Feel free to hire an exterior contractor prior to closing.

Water can be destructive and foster conditions that can be harmful to health. For this reason, the ideal property will have the ground around the foundation perimeter that slopes away from the residence about 6 inches for the first 10 feet from the foundation. And the interior floors will be several inches higher than the exterior grade. Also, the residence will have roof gutters and downspouts that discharge into drains or trays that carry or divert water away from the foundation. The sellers or occupants will have a more intimate knowledge of the site than we will have during our limited visit. Recommend asking the seller about water problems including but not limited to water puddles in the yard, gutter or downspout problems, water penetration into the lowest level of the structure, and drainage systems. Recommend closely monitoring and inspecting the exterior during a heavy rainstorm to observe the way the surface water is managed. Standing puddles near the house foundation are to be avoided.

Surface Water Management

Grading

The general grading around the house foundation perimeter appears functional. Good. Ideally the grading should slope about 6 inches over the first 10 feet away from the house foundation. Monitoring during a rainstorm is recommended.

• See Attached Illustration 3



Window Well

The window wells appear functional.



IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED: Cover is cracked or damaged.

House Wall Coverings

Vinyl

We moved around the house exterior several times, inspecting the vinyl siding on the exterior of the house. Checked for loose panels, missing panels, warped panels, cracked or damaged panels. The vinyl siding appears to be in functional condition. With no major material defects. Good.

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

There's a large bulge in the vinyl siding. Located at the back,right inside-corner area of the house. Correction and further inspection is recommended.



Brick

I moved around the structure exterior several times, inspecting the brick exterior of the house. Checked for loose bricks or mortar joints, missing pieces, damaged sections, deterioration, or failure. No major defects observed. The brick exterior appears to be in functional condition. Good.



Capping

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

There is loose capping. Falling off the house. At rake board area. Left-side of the garage roof. Repairs needed.



Exterior Components

Driveway or Parking

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

The asphalt material in the driveway is damaged near the street. Major cracking. Deterioration. Grass growth. Professional repairs needed. A large section to replace may be recommended by the asphalt professional.



Walks

The walkways that lead to the entry doors appear functional. Good.

Patio & Porch

MONITORING RECOMMENDED: Settlement of the front patio.



The porch/patio appears functional. Good.

Steps & Handrails

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The steps at the entry doors appear functional. Good.

Exterior Water Faucets

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

There are apparently no exterior water faucets. I did not see one. Ask owner. Recommend installing at least one.

Receptacles & GFCIs

The exterior receptacles that were tested are functional and include ground-fault protection. Good.



Dryer Vent Hood

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

The dryer has a screen installed on its exhaust hood. Prone to clogging and producing fire hazards. Not allowed by standards. Correction recommended.



Exterior Doors

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

At the entry door, there are areas of the tread/bottom flashing that are low. Caused by the movement of the front patio. And may be prone to water penetration.

Retaining Walls

Many areas of the wall have missing stone pieces. Has been patched in most areas.

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Windows IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED: Crack vinyl at the window's exterior sill area. Front right window. First floor.

Screens

A few of the window screens are dented.



Lights

We do not inspect all of the spot lights and decorative garden lights. Some may be on timers. Or switches. Recommend asking the seller to demonstrate how well they work. Any low-voltage or garden lights installed would not be permanent and may not stay with the house.

Heat Pump

We are not HVAC professionals. Feel free to hire one prior to closing.

We are not required to inspect the parts which are not readily accessible, like the coil, compressor, or valves. We do not inspect the humidifier or dehumidifier, the electronic air filter, the solar space heating system, and determine heat or cooling supply adequacy or distribution balance.

The components of most heat pump systems have a design-life ranging from fifteen to twenty-five years, but can fail prematurely with poor maintenance, which is why we attempt to guess the age. We inspect the heat pump system in accordance with the standards of practice, which means that we do not dismantle any components. We do not operate the system in heat mode when it is hot outside. We do not operate the system in cooling mode when it is too cool outside. It is essential that any recommendation that we make for service, correction, or repair be scheduled before the close of escrow, because the hired-professional could reveal additional defects or recommend further repairs that could affect your evaluation of the property.

Note: Health is a deeply personal responsibility. You should have the air quality tested and the ductwork cleaned as a prudent investment in environmental hygiene, especially if any family member suffers from allergies or asthma.

Heat Pump - One Unit

There is one heat pump system

This inspection is not a guarantee or warranty of the system. Things break. We do not accept responsibility for any problems that may happen in the future. Please consult the seller's disclosure. Only the present owner/occupant of the property will have intimate, accurate knowledge of the system, including past performance and age. For example, I can only guess at the exact age.



To inspect the heat pump system, we use only normal operating controls - such as the thermostat and electric switches. We check for signs of condensation leaks. Major rust or corrosion. We check the insulation around the refrigerant line. The condensation water from the evaporator coil should be properly draining away. We check for a disconnect switch. The air filter should appear clean and installed properly. We check for recent service records on the unit.

To avoid the risk of damaging the system, we are unable to operate the unit in heating mode in hot temperatures.

Exterior Condenser Unit Level

The exterior condenser unit appears level.





You need to monitor the way the unit rests. Sometimes a unit can all by itself start to tilt off-level. A unit should be no more than 2 inches off level, measuring from one corner to the opposite corner of the unit.

Electrical Disconnect

There is an electrical disconnect near the exterior condenser unit.



Estimated Age

The estimated age of the exterior condenser is 5 years old. With estimated 10 to 15 years of service life expected.

The average life expectancy is estimated from 15 to 25 years. Any system that is 15 years or older should be closely maintained. And budgeting for a replacement is recommended.

Interior Evaporator Unit Location of interior evaporator

There is an interior evaporator unit located in the basement.



Thermostat

The thermostat is functional.

There's a thermostat for the system on the first floor.

Condensate Drainage

The condensation drains from the unit to a condensate pump. Appears to be functional.



Electric Coil

There is an electric coil at the heat pump system.



Air Filter

The air filter is disposable and clean. Check every 30 days. Replace when necessary.



Visible Evaporator Coil Condition CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED: There is condensate water leaking from the coil tray - cleaning needed.



There is black stuff on the visible evaporator coil fins - cleaning needed.

Humidifier

Py-pass humidifiers need to be serviced and cleaned every year. In the wintertime, when not in use, turn off the water valve, shut the damper closed, and turn off the control.



The humidifier appears functional.

Estimated Age MONITORING RECOMMENDED:

The estimated age of the interior evaporator unit is 18 years old.

The average life expectancy is estimated from 15 to 25 years. Any system that is 15 years or older should be closely maintained. And budgeting for a replacement is recommended.

Service Record

The last time the heat pump system was service has been recorded. Dated in 12/29/06. The heat pump system should be serviced every year.

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

Recommend having the heat pump system cleaned, inspected, and serviced by an HVAC professional.

Observation

There's an alarm on the system. Presently unplugged. Ask seller.



Plumbing

We are not professional plumbers. Feel free to hire one prior to closing.

All bathroom fixtures, including toilets, tubs, showers, and sinks are inspected. Approximately 15 minutes of water is run at each fixture. Readily visible water-supply and drain pipes are inspected. Plumbing access panels that we can find are opened, if readily accessible and available to open. We do not perform water leak tests on drain lines or shower pans. We simply look for active leaks, which is quite limited by our short time in the property.

Drain Waste Vent Pipes

Type of Material

Visible portions of the drainpipes are of PVC, poly vinyl chloride. Very commonly used material.



Not all of the drain pipes were readily visible. Much of the pipes are inside the walls.

Condition of Drain Waste & Vent Pipes

No major problems with the visible waste and drainage pipes are apparent. Good.

Clean-out fitting is visible.

Public Water Supply Main Water Shut-off Valve

The main water shut-off valve is located in the basement.



Water Meter

The water meter is located near the main water shut-off valve.

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There are no active water leaks at meter. Good.

There appears to be a pressure regulator on the main water supply line near the meter - Good.

Check Valve & Expansion Tank

The water line has an expansion tank installed on it. There is a back-flow pressure check-valve installed on the water supply line coming into the house. This back-flow valve prevents water from flowing back out to the street, and makes the plumbing system a closed water system. When the water heater makes hot water, the water in the system expands. The expansion of the warm water increases the pressure on the homes water pipes. The expansion tank absorbs the extra pressure. The action of the expansion tank reduces knocking of the pipes and wear and tear on the faucets and shut-off valves in the home. Good.



Jumper Cable at Meter

There is a jumper cable installed over the water meter - Good.

• See Attached Illustration 4



Water Supply Pipes Copper Water Pipes

The visible water supply pipes appear to be copper. No active water leaks were apparent. Good.

Not all of the water supply pipes are readily visible. Much of the pipes are inside the walls and ceilings.

Electric Water Heater For Your Information

An electric hot water tank is installed. Electric hot water tanks can be expected to last at least as long as their warranty, or from five to eight years, but they will generally last longer. However, few of them last longer than fifteen or twenty years and many eventually leak.

See Attached Illustration 5



Size

The water heater is 80 gallons in size.

Age

Electric water tanks last about 10 to 15 years. Any tank that is older than ten years should be monitored for performance and failure. If the tank is functional, but older than 10 years, then budgeting for a new tank is recommended.

The water heater tank is new.

Electrical Connections

The electrical connection to the water heater appears functional. The wire is clamped. The grounding wire is connected. No major damage. Good.

Water Shut-Off Valve & Connectors

The water shut-off valve to the water heater tank is installed. Not leaking. Good. This valve turns off the cold water supply to the tank.



Relief Valve & Discharge Pipe MONITORING RECOMMENDED:

The water heater is equipped with a pressure-temperature relief valve. The pipe is extended to the floor. For safety. Good.



The pressure temperature valve is a safety device that opens up and releases pressure (and hot scalding water) from the tank. This opening of the valve would happen if there's an excessive build-up of pressure or extreme temperatures in the water tank. The end of the pipe should be conspicuous, so that you can easily notice if it is leaking or discharging water. If the valve is discharging, something is wrong, turn off the water valve, turn off the power, and call a plumber. All hot-water-distribution pipe and tubing shall have a minimum pressure rating of 100 psi at 180°F.

Water Leak Catch Pan

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

The water heater is not equipped with a water leak catch pan. Consider installing one. A pan under the tank is designed to prevent or minimize water damage from a leak.

Electrical

We are not electricians. Feel free to hire an electrician prior to closing.

If we feel that it is safe enough to open the electrical panel, we will check the interior components of service panels and sub panels, the conductors, and the over-current protection devices. Inside the house, we will check a representative number of installed lighting fixtures, switches, and receptacles. This is not an exhaustive inspection of every component and installation detail. There will be receptacles and switches and lights that we will not have time to inspect. Ask property owner about all of the wall switches.

Therefore, it is essential that any recommendations that we may make for correction should be completed before the close of escrow, because an electrician could reveal other problems or recommend repairs.

Meter Number of Meters & Location

There is one electric meter.



The meter is located at the right-side of the house.

Meter Condition

The meter box exterior appears functional. No major rust or damage. Not loose. Good.

Grounding Outside

There is a grounding wire visible outside. Good.

Main Electric Service Line

The main electric service line is underground.

The line appears to be in good shape. No major damage.

Main Panel Location of Panel

The main panel is located in the basement.



Main Disconnect & Panel Size in Amps

The main disconnect is installed.

The main electrical panel appears to be 200-amps.

Breaker Labeling IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED: Most of the breakers are labeled. Not all of them. They all should be clearly marked.

Panel Cover IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED: Missing screws at the cover.

Wiring Type

Modern Romex wiring is visible. Good.



Circuit Breakers

There is apparently open room for additional breakers and circuits.

The ground-fault circuit interrupter breaker at the panel labeled "whirlpool tub" was manually tested. Tested functional. Good.

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The system does not include arc-fault circuit interrupters, which effective January 1st, 2002, are mandated by the national electrical code to protect 15 and 20 amp branch circuits serving bedrooms in new construction. This is not a new home, so simply consider the benefit of installing them.

AFCI breakers are required to be installed on all the bedroom circuits. These safety devices are intended to detect the kinds of electrical arcs that can cause fires. An AFCI breaker is designed to trip when it detects a dangerous arc, either in the house wiring or in a defective extension cord or appliance.

Bonding

Bonding wire from the panel is visible. Good.

Inspection Sticker

There is not an inspection sticker on the panel. Ask seller if there's been any electrical work performed, and permits for that work issued, since the panel was installed.

Structure

We are not structural engineers. Feel free to hire one prior to closing to consult with and address concerns that you have with the property, even if I do not identify any structural material defects.

We inspect the structural components including foundation and framing by probing a representative number of structural components where deterioration is suspected or where clear indications of possible deterioration exist. Probing is not required when probing would damage any finished surface or where no deterioration is visible.

Basement For Your Information

This residence has a basement. We try to enter and inspect all accessible areas, looking for any evidence of structural material defects. We look for cracks, but those that are less than 1/4" and which do not exhibit any vertical or horizontal displacement are generally not regarded as being material structural defects. We look for signs of water penetration too, but please consult the seller's disclosure.



Basement Restrictions

We do all we can to see everything in the unfinished basement. There are restrictions to the inspection though. Including but not limited to the electrical wires, pipes, storage, ductwork, insulation, floor coverings, etc.



The inspection of the floor structure is restricted by the insulation. Limited visual access. I'll move and probe a random sample of the insulation. However, much of the electrical wires, water and sewer pipes, heating ducts/pipes, and floor structure can not been seen. There may be components above the insulation that need improving or correcting that the inspector can not see.

Poured Concrete Foundation

The poured concrete foundation of the structure appears to be functional. Readily accessible areas were inspected. There are no indications of major material defects apparent.

For Your Information:

A poured concrete foundation sometimes developes cracks. Typically within the first few years of life. Cracks in poured concrete foundations, known as shrinkage cracks, are the most common. Usually they are

not indications of major structural defects. When a concrete foundation is poured, it is at its largest mass. As the concrete cures (or dries), it shrinks. Small cracks often form, diagonally or vertically. They are typically hair-line and vertical. If there is a concern about the crack, it can be injected with epoxy.

Floor Type and Condition

MONITORING RECOMMENDED:

There are water stains in areas on the floor under the entry door. Not actively wet. Possible water problems in the past. Ask seller.

The floor joists are made of dimensional wood lumber - 2x10s.



I walked around, probed, checked the floor as best as I could. No material defects apparent. No major structural defects found. Recommend asking the seller if any repairs have been made to the floor structure in the past.

There have been structural repairs to floor under entry door. Ask seller about prior repairs and possible water penetration problems.

Water

There are no signs of active, wet ground water penetration in the basement. The lowest living level appears dry today. Monitoring during a heavy rain storm or snow melt is recommended. Consult with the seller's disclosure.

In the short time of this inspection, it is not possible to determine prior or future ground water penetration problems. Conditions that affect the structure's dryness (weather, wind, and temperature) will vary greatly during the course of a year. We recommend referring to the seller's disclosure document to determine if there ever has been any water leakage, accumulation, or dampness.

Sump Pump

There is no sump pump motor installed. There's no standing water. Consider installing one. • See Attached Illustration 6

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<u>Garage</u>

We do not evaluate or measure the fire-ratings of the drywall/plaster in the garage or the rating of the door between the garage and the house. Different townships require different ratings. Ideally, there should be a 5/8-inch Type X drywall or equivalent on the walls and ceiling that separate the garage from habitable rooms. And a 20-minute fire-rated door separating the house and garage. We check for breaches of the firewall. We do not pressure test the garage door openers.

Attached Garage Garage Door Opener

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

Neither opener is equipped with infra-red sensors that enable the door to auto-reverse, which is a desirable safety feature.



Each garage door opener is hooked-up to a GFCI (ground fault). Located in 2nd floor bathroom. The GFCI may trip off by mistake, and shut-down both opener machines. An opener should be on its own dedicated electric circuit.

Walls & Ceiling

The finished walls and ceiling appear in good condition.

Slab Floor

The concrete slab floor is in acceptable condition. Small cracks are common and result as a consequence of the curing process and common settling. Typically they are not structurally threatening.

Entry Door Into the House

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

The top step at the door between the laundry and the garage is an inch higher than the other steps. Trip hazard.



Firewall Separation

The exposed flexible duct pipe in the garage is a firewall compromise. The ductwork must be of a minimum No. 26 guage (0.48 mm) sheet steel or other approved material, and air tight. It is not. It is likely flammable. Recommend asking the seller. There is a potential for hazardous gases to enter the dryer ductwork. Smoke and fire can penetrate the ductwork and enter the house interior. Further evaluation and correction is recommended.

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

The dryer vent that penetrates the firewall appears to be of a paper-thin foil. Not covered with a fire-rated material (drywall). Which violates the integrity of the firewall between the house and the garage.



Receptacles

The receptacles that were tested are functional, and include ground-fault protection. Good.



Water

There are no signs of active ground water penetration in the garage. The garage level appears dry today. Monitoring during a heavy rain storm or snow melt is recommended. Consult with the seller's disclosure.

In the short time of this inspection, it is not possible to determine prior or future ground water penetration problems. Conditions that affect the structure's dryness (weather, wind, and temperature) will vary greatly during the course of a year. We recommend referring to the seller's disclosure document to determine if there ever has been any water leakage, accumulation, or dampness.

Laundry

We do not test clothes dryers, nor washing machines and their water connections and drainpipes. We can operate them, but only as courtesy. If a water catch pan is installed, it is not possible for us to check its performance. We recommend turning off the water supplied to the washer after every load. We recommend having a professional inspect and clean the dryer exhaust pipe twice every year.

Laundry Room Laundry Tub or Drainage

Tub has running water. No active leaks.

Electric Receptacles

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED: Missing GFCI protection at the electric receptacles near the tub.



220 Volt Outlet

A 220 volt receptacle for a dryer is present. Not currently in use.

Water Leak Catch Pan

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

There's no water leak catch pan installed for the future clothes washer. To catch leaks before causing water damage. Correction by a plumber is recommended.

<u>Attic</u>

Primary Attic Space Method of Evaluation

We inspected the attic by entering it. But there is no flooring, and the insulation is covering the joists. I am unable to safely move all around the attic space completely. Inspection restrictions.



Framing

Conventional stick framing methods at the roof system are visible from the attic space.

Water Penetration

No signs of active water penetration visible today.

Bath Fans

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

The bathroom fan exhausts into the attic. This has not been properly installed. The fan should be vented to the outside properly. Either through the roof or through an outside wall. Not to the soffit vent at the eaves of the roof. Currently the fan vents moisture into the attic space. This moisture can reduce the R-value of the insulation. The moisture can contribute to mold and mildew growth on the underside of the roof sheathing. Correction of the bath fan which is exhausting into the attic is recommended.



Insulation Type of Insulation

Fiberglass batt insulation is installed. Fiberglass is a man-made product that is composed of natural ingredients such as sand and recycled products such as window glass and bottles. The ingredients are melted and spun to create small strands of fiberglass that together form "glass wool". Fiberglass insulation has been used since the 1930s and is now the most widely used home insulator.



Thickness

Estimated 9 to 10 inches thick. Good. Meets the standard that requires about 10 inches thick or an R-30 value of insulation installed on the attic floor area.

Appears well insulated.

Missing Insulation

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, an attic access that is not insulated is a big hole and deficiency in the thermal barrier between the attic and condition space. This gap in the attic insulation increases heat loss in winter and heat gain in summer. An unsealed attic access can potentially leak the same amount of air supplied by a typical bedroom heating duct (~100 CFM). To insulate an attic access, a lightweight, moveable box or panel can be constructed from rigid foam to fit over the access from the attic side. For more information, visit www.eere.energy.gov. Recommend insulating the attic access. See the illustration.

Ventilation Observations IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED: Ventilation seems limited, and could be improved.

Secondary Attic Space Method of Evaluation

There is an access to the attic space. But the access is sealed and screwed shut. Elected not to open the access, to prevent damaging the finish surfaces. Did not enter. Can't tell you what's in the attic.

Bathrooms

We are not plumbers. Feel free to hire a plumber prior to closing.

All bathroom fixtures, including toilets, tubs, showers, and sinks are inspected. Approximately 15 minutes of water is run at each fixture. Readily visible water-supply and drain pipes are inspected. Plumbing access panels are opened, if readily accessible and available to open. Normal foot pressure is applied around the base of each toilet, tub, and shower to check for deteriorated flooring. Normal hand pressure is applied carefully to the walls of each shower to check for deterioration. Re-grouting and sealant around the tub shower, and fixtures should be considered routine maintenance. We do not perform water leak tests on drain lines or shower pans. We simply look for active leaks, which is quite limited by our short time in the property.

Master Bathroom

No Recommended Service

We inspected the bathroom, and found no major defects. Toilet flushed a couple times. Running water at the sink. Sink drained. The tub/shower functional. No active leaks.

Master Bath Receptacles

The receptacles are testing functional and include ground-fault protection (GFCI). Good.

Whirlpool Tub

The whirlpool tub is functional but should be flushed with a cleanser if not used frequently.



Access panel

There is an access panel for the tub. It was opened. No water leaks. Good.

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

The shower does not have a plumbing access panel installed. To gain access to the plumbing, one would have to be installed. Consider installing one.

2nd Floor Full Bathroom

No Recommended Service

We inspected the bathroom, and found no major defects. Toilet flushed a couple times. Running water at the sink. Sink drained. The tub/shower functional. No active leaks.

2nd Floor Bath Receptacles

The receptacles are testing functional and include ground-fault protection (GFCI). Good.

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Access panel

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

There's no access panel for the tub. To view the plumbing, one would have to be installed. Consider installing one.

First Floor Half Bathroom

No Recommended Service

We inspected the 1/2 bathroom, and found no major defects. Running water at the sink. Toilet flushed a couple times. Sink drained. No active leaks.

Half Bath Receptacles

The receptacles are testing functional and include ground-fault protection (GFCI). Good.

Exhaust Fan

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

The exhaust fan is working, but it is exhausting into the laundry room. You may wish to have it redirected.



Kitchen

We check some of the appliances only as a courtesty to you. Appliances are not within the scope of a home inspection. We are not required to inspect the kitchen appliances. We do not evaluate them for their performance nor for the accuracy of their settings or cycles. Appliances break. We assume no responsibility for future problems with the appliances.

If they are older than ten years, they may well exhibit decreased efficiency. Also, many older ovens are not secured to the wall to prevent tipping. Be sure to check the appliance, especially if children are in the house. We recommend installing a minimum five pound ABC-type fire extinguisher mounted on the wall inside the kitchen area.

The Kitchen Faucet

The sink faucet is functional. No active leaks seen.



Garbage Disposal

The garbage disposal turned on.

Receptacles and GFCI

The visible counter receptacles that were tested are functional and include ground-fault protection. Good.



Dishwasher

Ran a short cycle with no leaks. (This is no guarantee against future problems.)

Inspection Address: Inspection Date/Time:



Electric Cooktop

Electric stove elements are functional. Turned on and warmed up. Good.



Electric Oven

The electrical oven is functional. Turned on and warmed up. Good.

Exhaust Fan

The ventilation fan turned on. Functional.

The exhaust fan is a type that vents internally.

Built-in Microwave

We do not evaluate microwaves. Beyond the scope of a home inspection. If we do turn it on, it is just out of courtesy to you. Please consult the seller's disclosure about the appliance, its age, warranties, performance, etc.

The built-in microwave apparently functional. Using my little microwave detector.

Infrared

Infrared Thermography Evaluation Attic insulation

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

Missing or little insulation at the attic access panel at the wall of the master bedroom closet. Energy loss area.



Interior

We check only a representative number of doors and windows. We are not required to inspect the paint, wallpaper, the carpeting, the window treatments and screens. We do not move furniture, lift carpets or rugs, empty closets or cabinets, and we do not comment on cosmetic deficiencies. We may not comment on the cracks that appear around windows and doors, or which follow the lines of framing members and the seams of drywall and plasterboard. These cracks are usually a consequence of movement, such as wood shrinkage and common settling, and will often reappear. We do not report on odors from pets and cigarette smoke.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors

For Your Information

There is a fuel burning fireplace in the house. Carbon monoxide detector needed.

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

Recommend asking the seller if there are carbon monoxide detectors installed in the house that will be staying with the house. Recommend installing new detectors in the house, according to the manufacturer's recommendation.

Smoke Detectors Smoke Detector Information

Ideally there should be smoke detectors installed on every floor, including the basement and the attic space, inside every bedroom, and in the hallway outside the bedrooms. The detectors should be hard-wired with battery back-up.



Most manufacturers recommend testing detectors every week. And replacing the detectors every 10 years.

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED: Recommend installing new detectors throughout the house. For your own peace of mind.

CORRECTION AND FURTHER EVALUATION RECOMMENDED:

The smoke detectors are hard-wired only, without battery back-up installed. If power is interrupted, the detectors will not operate. Replacements recommended.

Windows Window Operations IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED: Many windows feel painted shut - stuck.

Doors Observations

The condition of the doors that I inspected seemed functional.

Receptacles Observations

The ones that I tested seemed to be wired functional.

Stairs Handrails & Guardrails IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR RECOMMENDED:

The balusters in the stair rails are more than four-inches apart and are not child safe. Therefore, you may wish to add a protective barrier.

See Attached Illustration 7



Security System Inspect restriction

We do not inspect security systems. They are beyond the scope of a home inspection. The smoke alarms may be connected to the system. Recommend asking the seller more information.

Property

Observations at the Property Our Client

We prefer to have our clients present during the entire inspection. For a few reasons, including: (1) We can answer all of your questions and address your concerns as they come up. (2) We both can see the the condition of the property at the time of the inspection. (3) I can elaborate on what may be complicated or technical. Inasmuch as you were not present during the entire inspection, we encourage you to read the whole report and not just the summary report, and to consult with us directly. Call us anytime. You can hire us again for a walk-through prior to closing. Also, please verify anything that we may have been said orally, but may not have documented in the report.



THE STANDARDS OF PRACTICE (abbreviated)

2. PURPOSE AND SCOPE 2.2 Inspectors shall: A. adhere to the Code of Ethics of the American Society of Home Inspectors. B. inspect readily accessible, visually observable, installed systems and componentslisted in these Standards of Practice. C. report: 1. those systems and components inspected that, in the professional judgment of the inspector, are not functioning properly, significantly deficient, unsafe, or are near the end of their service lives. 2. recommendations to correct, or monitor for future correction, the deficiencies reported in 2.2.C.1, or items needing further evaluation. (Per Exclusion 13.2.A.5 inspectors are NOT required to determine methods, materials, or costs of corrections.) 3. reasoning or explanation as to the nature of the deficiencies reported in 2.2.C.1, that are not self-evident. 4. systems and components designated for inspection in these Standards of Practice that were present at the time of the home inspection but were not inspected and the reason(s) they were not inspected. 2.3 These Standards of Practice are not intended to limit inspectors from: A. including other inspection services or systems and components in addition to those required in 2.2.B. B. designing or specifying repairs, provided the inspector is appropriately qualified and willing to do so. C. excluding systems and components from the inspection if requested by the client.

3. STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS 3.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. structural components including the foundation and framing. 2. by probing a representative number of structural components where deterioration is suspected or where clear indications of possible deterioration exist. Probing is NOT required when probing would damage any finished surface or where no deterioration is visible or presumed to exist. B. describe:1. the methods used to inspect under-floor crawl spaces and attics. 2. the foundation. 3. the floor structure. 4. the wall structure. 5. the ceiling structure. 6. the roof structure. 3.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. provide any engineering or architectural services or analysis. B. offer an opinion as to the adequacy of any structural system or component.

4. EXTERIOR 4.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. siding, flashing and trim. 2. all exterior doors. 3. attached or adjacent decks, balconies, stoops, steps, porches, and their associated railings. 4. eaves, soffits, and fascias where accessible from the ground level. 5. vegetation, grading, surface drainage, and retaining walls that are likely to adversely affect the building. 6. adjacent or entryway walkways, patios, and driveways. B. describe: 1. siding. 4.2 The inspector is NOT required to inspect: A. screening, shutters, awnings, and similar seasonal accessories. B. fences. C. geological and/or soil conditions. D. recreational facilities. E. outbuildings other than garages and carports. F. seawalls, break-walls, and docks. G. erosion control and earth stabilization measures.

5. ROOFING 5.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. roofing materials. 2. roof drainage systems. 3. flashing. 4. skylights, chimneys, and roof penetrations. B. describe: 1. roofing materials. 2. methods used to inspect the roofing. 5.2 The inspector is NOT required to inspect: A. antennae. B. interiors of flues or chimneys that are not readily accessible. C. other installed accessories. 6. PLUMBING 6.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. interior water supply and distribution systems including all fixtures and faucets. 2. drain, waste, and vent systems including all fixtures. 3. water heating equipment and hot water supply system. 4. vent systems, flues, and chimneys. 5. fuel storage and fuel distribution systems. 6. drainage sumps, sump pumps, and related piping. B. describe: 1. water supply, drain, waste, and vent piping materials. 2. water heating equipment including energy source(s). 3. location of main water and fuel shut-off valves. 6.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect: 1. clothes washing machine connections. 2. interiors of flues or chimneys that are not readily accessible. 3. wells, well pumps, or water storage related equipment. 4. water conditioning systems. 5. solar water heating systems. 6. fire and lawn sprinkler systems. 7. private waste disposal systems. B. determine: 1. whether water supply and waste disposal systems are public or private. 2. water supply quantity or quality. C. operate automatic safety controls or manual stop valves.

7. ELECTRICAL 7.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. service drop. 2. service entrance conductors, cables, and raceways. 3. service equipment and main disconnects. 4. service grounding. 5. interior components of service panels and sub panels. 6. conductors. 7. over current protection devices. 8. a representative number of installed lighting fixtures, switches, and receptacles. 9. ground fault circuit interrupters. B. describe: 1. amperage and voltage rating of the service. 2. location of main disconnect(s) and sub panels. 3. presence of solid conductor aluminum branch circuit wiring. 4. presence or absence of smoke detectors. 5. wiring methods. 7.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect: 1. remote control devices. 2. alarm systems and components. 3. low voltage wiring systems and components. 4. ancillary wiring systems and components. not a part of the primary electrical power distribution system. B. measure amperage, voltage, or impedance.

8. HEATING 8.1 The inspector shall: A. open readily openable access panels. B. inspect: 1. installed heating equipment. 2. vent systems, flues, and chimneys. C. describe: 1. energy source(s). 2. heating systems. 8.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect: 1. interiors of flues or chimneys that are not readily accessible. 2. heat

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exchangers. 3. humidifiers or dehumidifiers. 4. electronic air filters. 5. solar space heating systems. B. determine heat supply adequacy or distribution balance.

9. AIR CONDITIONING 9.1 The inspector shall: A. open readily openable access panels. B. inspect: 1. central and through-wall equipment. 2. distribution systems. C. describe: 1. energy source(s). 2. cooling systems. 9.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect electronic air filters. B. determine cooling supply adequacy or distribution balance. C. inspect window air conditioning units.

10. INTERIORS 10.1 The inspector shall inspect: A. walls, ceilings, and floors. B. steps, stairways, and railings. C. countertops and a representative number of installed cabinets. D. a representative number of doors and windows. E. garage doors and garage door operators. 10.2 The inspector is NOT required to inspect: A. paint, wallpaper, and other finish treatments. B. carpeting. C. window treatments. D. central vacuum systems. E. household appliances. F. recreational facilities.

11. INSULATION & VENTILATION 11.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. insulation and vapor retarders in unfinished spaces. 2. ventilation of attics and foundation areas. 3. mechanical ventilation systems. B. describe: 1. insulation and vapor retarders in unfinished spaces. 2. absence of insulation in unfinished spaces at conditioned surfaces. 11.2 The inspectoris NOT required to disturb insulation.

12. FIREPLACES AND SOLID FUEL BURNING APPLIANCES 12.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. system components. 2. chimney and vents. B. describe: 1. fireplaces and solid fuel burning appliances. 2. chimneys. 12.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect: 1. interiors of flues or chimneys. 2. fire screens and doors. 3. seals and gaskets. 4. automatic fuel feed devices. 5. mantles and fireplace surrounds. 6. combustion make-up air devices. 7. heat distribution assists (gravity fed and fan assisted). B. ignite or extinguish fires. C. determine draft characteristics. D. move fireplace inserts and stoves or firebox contents.

13. GENERAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS 13.1 General limitations: A. The inspector is NOT required to perform any action or make any determination not specifically stated in these Standards of Practice. B. Inspections performed in accordance with these Standards of Practice: 1. are not technically exhaustive. 2. are not required to identify concealed. conditions, latent defects, or consequential damage(s). C. These Standards of Practice are applicable to buildings with four or fewer dwelling units and their garages or carports. 13.2 General exclusions: A. Inspectors are NOT required to determine: 1. conditions of systems or components that are not readily accessible. 2. remaining life expectancy of any system or component. 3. strength, adequacy, effectiveness, or efficiency of any system or component. 4. the causes of any condition or deficiency. 5. methods, materials, or costs of corrections. 6. future conditions including but not limited to failure of systems and components. 7. the suitability of the property for any specialized use. 8. compliance with regulatory requirements (codes, regulations, laws, ordinances, etc.). 9. market value of the property or its marketability. 10. the advisability of purchase of the property. 11. the presence of potentially hazardous plants or animals including, but not limited to, wood destroying organisms or diseases harmful to humans including molds or mold-like substances. 12. the presence of any environmental hazards including, but not limited to, toxins, carcinogens, noise, and contaminants in soil, water, and air. 13. the effectiveness of any system installed or method utilized to control or remove suspected hazardous substances. 14. operating costs of systems or components. 15. acoustical properties of any system or component. 16. soil conditions relating to geotechnical or hydrologic specialties. B. Inspectors are NOT required to offer: 1. or perform any act or service contrary to law. 2. or perform engineering services. 3. or perform any trade or any professional. service other than home inspection. 4. warranties or guarantees of any kind. C. Inspectors are NOT required to operate: 1. any system or component that is shut down or otherwise inoperable. 2. any system or component that does not respond to normal operating controls. 3. shut-off valves or manual stop valves. D. Inspectors are NOT required to enter: 1.any area that will, in the opinion of the inspector, likely be dangerous to the inspector or other persons or damage the property or its systems or components. 2. under-floor crawl spaces or attics that are not readily accessible. E. Inspectors are NOT required to inspect: 1. underground items including but not limited to underground storage tanks or other underground indications of their presence, whether abandoned or active. 2. items that are not installed. 3. installed decorative items. 4. items in areas that are not entered in accordance with 13.2.D. 5. detached structures other than garages and carports. 6. common elements or common areas in multi-unit housing, such as condominium properties or cooperative housing. F. Inspectors are NOT required to: 1. perform any procedure or operation that will, in the opinion of the inspector, likely be dangerous to the inspector or other persons or damage the property or its systems or components. 2. describe or report on any system or component that is not included in the Standards and was not inspected. 3. move personal property, furniture, equipment, plants, soil, snow, ice, or debris. 4. dismantle any system or component.

Illustration - 1 Prefabricated Chimney

Illustration - 2 Asphalt Shingle Roof Installed - Illustration

Illustration - 3 Appears functional

Illustration - 4 Jumper cable installed - Good

Illustration - 5 For Your Information - Electric Water Heater Tank - Illustration

Illustration - 6 No sump pump motor installed - no standing water - consider installing one

Illustration - 7 space in railing too far apart

REPORT CONCLUSION & WALK-THROUGH

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CONCLUSION:

We are proud of our service, and trust that you will be happy with the quality of our report. We have made every effort to provide you with an accurate assessment of the condition of the property and its components and to alert you to any significant defects or adverse conditions. However, we may not have tested every outlet, and opened every window and door, or identified every problem. Also because our inspection is essentially visual, latent defects could exist. We can not see behind walls. Therefore, you should not regard our inspection as a guarantee or warranty. It is simply a report on the general condition of a property at a given point in time. As a homeowner, you should expect problems to occur. Roofs will leak, basements may have water problems, and systems may fail without warning. We can not predict future events. For these reasons, you should keep a comprehensive insurance policy current.

This report was written exclusively for our Client. It is not transferable to other people. The report is only supplemental to a seller's disclosure.

Thank you for taking the time to read this report, and call us if you have any questions. We are always attempting to improve the quality of our service and our report.

PRE-CLOSING WALK THROUGH:

The walk-through prior to closing is the time for Client to inspect the property. Conditions can change between the time of a home inspection and the time of closing. Restrictions that existed during the inspection may have been removed for the walk-through. Defects or problems that were not found during the home inspection may be discovered during the walk-through. Client should be thorough during the walk-through.

Any defect or problem discovered during the walk-through should be negotiated with the owner/seller of the property prior to closing. Purchasing the property with a known defect or problem releases PEACH of all responsibility. Client assumes responsibility for all known defects after settlement.

The following are recommendations for the pre-closing walk through your new house. Consider hiring a certified home inspector to assist you.

1. Check the heating and cooling system. Turn the thermostat to heat mode and turn the temperature setting up. Confirm that the heating system is running and making heat. Turn the thermostat to off and wait 20 minutes. Turn the thermostat to cool mode and turn the temperature setting down. Confirm the condenser is spinning and the system is making cool air. The cooling system should not be checked if the temperature is below 60 degrees or if the temperature was below freezing the night before the walk-through. And you should not operate a heat pump in the heating mode when it is over 75 degrees outside.

- 2. Operate all appliances.
- 3. Run water at all fixtures and flush toilets. Look for plumbing leaks.
- 4. Operate all exterior doors, windows, and locks.
- 5. Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- 6. Ask for all remote controls to any garage door openers, fans, gas fireplaces, etc.
- 7. Inspect areas that may have been restricted at the time of the inspection.
- 8. Ask seller questions about anything that was not covered during the home inspection.
- 9. Ask seller about prior infestation treatment and warranties that may be transferable.
- 10. Read the seller's disclosure.

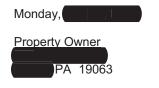
Sincerely, Ben Gromicko, Vice-President

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Dear Property Owner:

We understand that a home inspection can be a stressful process. During our inspection, we make every effort to respect your home and leave it as we found it.

All of the inspectors at PEACH bring clean shoes that are worn indoors only.

During the inspection we look at over 500 different items, some which need to be tested, opened and closed, and turned off and on. We try to put back those items to the original setting or condition, but some items may have been overlooked. Here is a list of some things you may want check and make sure that they are back as they were prior to the inspection.

Thermostat for the heating/air conditioning system GFCI receptacles or breakers (Ground Faults) Refrigerators or freezers in basement or garage Clocks Kitchen appliances Doors Coffee makers Curtains, drapes and blinds

We are always looking to improve our company and our inspections services. If we failed to leave your home in satisfactory condition or if you have any comments or suggestions, we would welcome your feedback.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Gromicko Vice-President PEACH Inspections