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RADON INFORMATION NOTICE – RN2013.01

Date: June 4, 2013
To: All Ohio Radon Licensees
Subject: MULTI-FAMILY TESTING REQUIREMENTS

Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3701-69-07 Appendix A Section F states the requirements for conducting Multifamily Building Measurements in Ohio. Section F states: "Licensees shall submit standard operating procedures for the performance of multifamily building measurements".

Therefore, if you want to begin testing multifamily units, you **first** need to submit a license amendment request to add multifamily testing and include a copy of the standard operating procedure (SOP) you propose to use to ODH for our review and approval.

That being said, ODH has conducted a review of the "ANSI AARST MAMF-2012, Protocol for Conducting Radon and Radon Decay Product Measurements in Multifamily Buildings" and finds that it is acceptable for use as a SOP to meet the requirements of OAC 3701-69-07 Appendix A, Section F.

So to use ANSI AARST MAMF-2012 as your SOP for multifamily testing, you simply need to submit a written request "for a license amendment approval to conduct multifamily testing in accordance with ANSI AARST MAMF-2012". You do not need to include a copy of ANSI AARST MAMF-2012.

Your license amendment request can be submitted by mail, by fax to 614-466-0381 or by emailed to BRadiation@odh.ohio.gov.

IN ADDITION - We have received numerous licensee inquiries about the January 1, 2013 HUD notice about multifamily testing. The HUD Notice H 2013-03 Section IV (A)(4)(a)(1) Exception, says that "the minimum number of apartments to be tested shall be at least twenty-five percent of randomly selected ground level units." It's important to understand that that the HUD exception does not limit the number of apartments tested to 25%, it simply states what HUD believes is their minimum acceptable requirements.

Please be advised that OAC 3701-69-07 Appendix A, Section (A)(1) states that "short-term or long-term measurements shall be made in each lowest structural area suitable for occupancy". This means that in Ohio, 100% of ground level units **shall** be tested.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact us at: www.BRadiation.odh.ohio.gov.

Regards,

Indoor Radon Program
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