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To: Ohio Licensed Radon Testers, Radon Mitigation Specialists, and Radon Contractors

From: The Ohio Department of Health, Radon Licensing Program *QALC 9/10/2010*

Subject: Updated Home Buyer's and Seller's Guide

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The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has updated the Home Buyer's and Seller's Guide to Radon (EPA 402-K-09-002) in January 2009. The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) is providing you with a copy for your use. Additional copies can be requested through the U.S. EPA or can be printed from their webpage <http://www.epa.gov/iaq/radon/pubs/index.html>.

The guide has changed the language for testing device placement. The change in testing language can be found on page 12 of the new Home Buyer's and Seller's Guide to Radon.

*"EPA recommends that testing device(s) be placed in the lowest level of the home that could be used regularly, whether it is finished or unfinished. Conduct the test in any space that could be used by the buyer as a bedroom, play area, family room, den, exercise room, or workshop. Based on their client's intended use of the space, the qualified testing professional should identify the appropriate test location and inform their client (buyer). Do **not** test in a closet, stairway, hallway, crawl space or in an enclosed area of high humidity or high air velocity. An enclosed area may include a kitchen, bathroom, laundry room or furnace room."*

The new language may require you to review your ODH approved Quality Assurance/Quality Control plans (QA/QC) to ensure that your plans reflect this change in testing device placement. If you need to make changes to your approved QA/QC, submit your changes to ODH for review and approval. Submit your changes to the below address.

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