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NOTICE TO BUYER: SELLER-PROCURED INSPECTION REPORT

The following no	tice is given with r	espect to the Pu	archase and Sale Ag	reement dated _	
between					("Buyer")
and Arman Avetisian			Renata Beglarian		
concerning 17016	NE 131st Pl		Redmond	WA 98052	("the Property").
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Seller	03/01/25	DATE	Seller	00701	DATE
Buyer's Acknowl	edgment of Recei	pt			
The undersigned Report(s).	Buyer acknowled	ges receipt of th	ne foregoing Notice	and the above-re	eferenced Inspection
Buyer		DATE	Buyer		DATE

Renata Beglarian & Arman Avetisian 17016 NE 131st Pl, Redmond WA 98052

Per the seller, the following items listed on the pre-sale inspection summary dated June 11, 2023, are being corrected by the seller as part of preparation for sale in good faith.

1) The following actions items have been completed by seller as of June 18

Electrical system missing panel screws have been installed Receptacle on the north wall has been secured Kitchen GFCI receptacle installed 3 way switch wiring issue was resolved Air filter replaced All three toilets in the house have been checked and secured Dryer vent in the laundry room was replaced Gutters and downspouts cleaning services were provided Gap on the exterior side of the chimney is fixed Exterior door deadbolt is repaired Mechanical ventilation system duct work in the attic is repaired Yellow jacket nest was removed Kitchen countertop calking was repaired Primary bathroom countertops calking is repaired Primary bath vent was cleaned by the cleaning crew Laundry room transition strip was installed Hose bib on the front of the house was secured Insulation Batts in the crawl space are secured No new rodent activity was detected after the inspection. All vents were checked and are

secure.

June 11, 2023

Mr. & Ms. Arman & Renata Avetisian & Beglarian 17016 NE 131st Pl. Redmond, WA.

Re: 17016 Northeast 131st Pl.

Redmond, WA.

Dear Arman & Renata;

At your request, a visual inspection of the above referenced property was conducted on 06/10/2023. We have inspected the major structural components, plumbing, heating and electrical systems for signs of significant non-performance, excessive or unusual wear and general state of repair.

Clark Inspections inspectors, inspect all homes and buildings according to the stringent professional standards and code of ethics set forth by the American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI). The ASHI standards are designed to identify and disclose to the client certain conditions of the major systems as these conditions exist at the time of the inspection. These standards are designed for a visual inspection of the readily accessible areas of the included system. A copy of these standards will be provided upon request or can be obtained by calling the ASHI automatic "Information-On-Demand" phone number at 1-800-743-2744

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Mechanical equipment is inspected for operability only and may contain undisclosed defects which may significantly impair it's usefulness.

Defects are examined and a determination is made on how a particular defect will affect interrelated building parts and whether immediate repairs are required.

Since all buildings have defects, it is important to know and understand what they are and how they affect the house and property. Some of the defects mentioned in this report may be quite typical, and found in other homes of comparable age and price. Some however, may not. We make our best attempt to distinguish this for you in both verbal and written reports.

REPORT SUMMARY

The comments in this report are categorized. General information is given on the type of materials and construction methods. Specific information is given pertaining to the condition of a component and applicable repair and

maintenance work that may be required.

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ACTION ITEMS, SIGNIFICANT DEFECTS AND/OR HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES

Non-operational (Action) items, safety or health issues, areas with limited viewing for proper inspection and components that do not serve their intended function (Significant Defects) are listed here. These items will likely require further evaluation and repair by licensed tradespeople.

Please Read entire report

BUILDING SITE

DRIVEWAY

The driveway has cracked and settled differentially. This was probably caused by inadequate preparation of the soil prior to the placement of the concrete. This condition can be repaired by pressure grouting the sunken portion of the driveway or by removing and replacing it. The driveway remains functional despite this condition.



WALKWAY

The gaps separating the concrete walkway sections are a trip hazard. Replacement with mortar is recommended.



The wooden dividers separating the concrete walkway sections have deteriorated to a point where the gaps are a trip hazard. Replacement with mortar is recommended.



BUILDING EXTERIOR

DECK RAILINGS

The spacing between the balusters is too wide. This is a hazard to small children. The balusters should be spaced close enough together so that a 4" sphere cannot pass through. Upgrading the deck railing is recommended if small children are present.





GARAGE

ATTACHED GARAGE

FIRE SEPARATION

The exposed wood is a breech in the fire resistive barrier in the garage. This is a safety concern. The gypsum barrier slows the spread of a fire from the garage to the structure. The installation of a layer of 5/8" gypsum type X board over the exposed wood is recommended.

PASSAGE DOOR

The door between the garage and living space is a solid core door. The door is properly installed and is in good condition, however, it lacks a self closing hinge. The installation of a self closing hinge is recommended as a safety upgrade.

EXTERIOR DOOR(S)

The exterior door to the garage is blocked and its function was not verified.

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

SERVICE PANEL

Screws that secure the panel cover to the panel box are missing. This is a potential hazard. Missing screws should be replaced with the original style blunt end screws.



RECEPTACLES

The receptacle on the north wall of the family room and a junction box in the garage are loose. This is a potential shock and a fire hazard. All loose receptacles should be repaired as necessary.



GFCI RECEPTACLES

The installation of additional GFCI protection for all of the kitchen and garage receptacles is recommended.

SWITCHES

The three-way switch circuit in the entry is not wired correctly or a two-way switch has been installed on a three-way circuit. This prevents operation of the light from both switches. The services of a qualified electrical contractor should be retained for repairs.

HEATING SYSTEM

FORCED AIR HEATING SYSTEM

AIR FILTER

The air filters are clogged with dust. This reduces air flow and furnace efficiency. Removal and replacement of the air filters is recommended. Pleated style air filters are recommended as they offer better filtration of dust than the coarser hogs hair or fiberglass filters.

GENERAL COMMENTS

The furnace is in need of routine servicing. This type of furnace should be serviced annually.

KITCHEN

RANGE

No tip out protection was installed for the range. This is a hazard for small children. We recommend tip out protection devices be installed.

BATHROOMS

MAIN FLOOR POWDER ROOM

TOILE₁

The toilet is loose where it mounts to the floor. A loose toilet will eventually start to leak and will damage the

flooring material, underlayment and subfloor. The most reliable fix for this condition is to remove the toilet and install a new wax seal. The toilet should then be securely mounted to the floor.

UPPER FLOOR HALLWAY BATHROOM

TOILET

The toilet is loose where it mounts to the floor. A loose toilet will eventually start to leak and will damage the flooring material, underlayment and subfloor. The most reliable fix for this condition is to remove the toilet and install a new wax seal. The toilet should then be securely mounted to the floor.

PRIMARY BEDROOM BATHROOM

TOILET

The toilet is loose where it mounts to the floor. A loose toilet will eventually start to leak and will damage the flooring material, underlayment and subfloor. The most reliable fix for this condition is to remove the toilet and install a new wax seal. The toilet should then be securely mounted to the floor.

FAUCET FIXTURES

The hot and cold supply lines are reversed at the tub faucet. This can cause scalding. Repairs are recommended. Most cartridge faucets can be disassembled, the cartridge rotated 180 degrees and then reassembled. This will correct the deficiency. Supply tubes must be reversed in dual handled faucets.

The tub fixtures are loose at their base. The fixtures should be adequately secured.

LAUNDRY ROOM

DRYER VENT

The dryer vent duct has been damaged and does not appear to be repairable. Replacement is recommended. Present standards for dryer vents require a 4 inch, smooth wall duct, no longer than 35 feet, with a hooded damper at the exterior termination. A flexible duct (6 ft max) can only be used between the dryer and floor or wall inlet.

PLUMBING SYSTEM

GAS PIPING

The gas pipes adjacent to the water heater are not protected by a bumper stop. A vertical steel pipe, bolted to the floor, is typically installed in front of the water heater to prevent a car bumper from damaging the gas lines.



INTERIOR

SMOKE DETECTORS

There is a smoke detector in the hallway outside of the bedrooms. Additional smoke detectors should be installed inside the bedrooms near the door.

Smoke detectors are examined for location only. They are not tested. Smoke detector batteries should be replaced when you move in and every year thereafter. Once batteries have been replaced, the smoke detectors should be tested for proper operation.

FOR MAXIMUM PROTECTION: Use both Ionization and Photoelectric smoke alarms in every bedroom/hallway on every level of your home.

At least one carbon monoxide monitor should be installed for each floor. The best place to install the monitor is in an open area near the gas appliance.

MAINTENANCE ITEMS AND/OR COMPONENTS NEARING THE END OF THEIR SERVICE LIFE

Any item that in the opinion of the inspector is nearing the end of its normal service life and/or conditions that need repair, maintenance and/or upgrades, but have not affected basic functions are listed herein.

BUILDING SITE

DRIVEWAY

Cracks were observed in the concrete surface of the driveway. Minor cracks can be sealed to minimize moisture entry and further settlement of the concrete. Minor cracks are common and do not affect the serviceability of the concrete.



FENCES AND GATES

One or more of the fence posts are deteriorated. Fence posts should be repaired or replaced as necessary.



BUILDING EXTERIOR

SOFFITS AND OVERHANGS

There are large gaps over 1/4" in size adjacent the soffit vent blocks. These gaps allow insects and rodents to enter the attic. Covering the gaps with screening, a strip of wood and/or caulking is recommended.



GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS

There is a build-up of organic debris inside the gutters. Proper maintenance of gutters and downspouts is essential and should be performed routinely in order to prevent clogging. Maintenance consists primarily of keeping leaves and other organic debris out of the system. Failure to clean the gutters will result in water splash on the building when they overflow. Gutters can be damaged under the weight of the water and organic matter inside the gutter. Gutters should be cleaned as necessary to maintain a free flow of water into the downspouts.





EXTERIOR DOORS

The rear entry door deadbolt is in need of minor adjustment and/or repair. Door hardware should be adjusted or replaced as necessary to restore full function.



Wood doors are undesirable for use at any location that has chronic exposure to rainfall or water splash. Consideration should be given to upgrading the exposed wood doors to aluminum or vinyl clad doors.



ATTIC

MECHANICAL VENTILATION SYSTEMS

Flexible plastic duct is used to direct air from the vent fans to the exterior. Several of the ducts for the bathroom vent fans have become detached in the attic. This allows moisture laden air to be discharged in the attic rather than outside. This is an undesirable condition that causes excessive moisture in the attic and can result in mold or fungus growth. The ducts should be reconnected and secured. This type of material is unreliable. Replacing the plastic duct with 4" smooth-wall sheet metal duct is recommended.



PEST CONTROL

There are yellow jacket nests in the attic. Yellow jackets are very aggressive in late summer and their sting is painful. Yellow jacket activity can be avoided by sealing all openings into the attic, particularly above the gable end walls and below vent blocks.

The first step in preventing rodents from entering the attic is to seal all possible entry points using wire mesh, caulking, wood, stainless steel wool, or aerosol foam. Careful work sealing cracks, holes and gaps over 1/4" in size will discourage activity.



KITCHEN

COUNTERTOPS

The caulking is deteriorated at the intersection between the counter top and the wall. This allows water and food to enter the gap between the back splash and counter and is difficult to clean. Recaulking this area is recommended.

BATHROOMS

PRIMARY BATHROOM

COUNTERTOP

The backsplash caulking is cracked. Cracking of the caulk allows water to enter the gap and is difficult to clean. Caulking the cracks and/or gaps is recommended.

VENTILATION

The vent fan register has become clogged. This reduces the fans efficiency. The fan register/cover should be cleaned.



LAUNDRY ROOM

FLOORING MATERIAL

The vinyl flooring lacks a transition strip. The exposed edge of the flooring is vulnerable to damage. We recommend the installation of a transition strip.



PLUMBING SYSTEM

MAIN WATER SHUTOFF VALVE

There is no shutoff valve inside the house. The water must be shutoff at the water meter. This could be inconvenient in an emergency. Consideration should be given to installing a water shutoff valve in the house.

FAUCET FIXTURES

The hot and cold supply lines are reversed at the primary bathroom tub faucet. This can cause scalding. Repairs are recommended. Most cartridge faucets can be disassembled, the cartridge rotated 180 degrees and then reassembled. This will correct the deficiency. Supply tubes must be reversed in dual handled faucets.

The primary bathroom tub fixtures are loose at their base. The fixtures should be adequately secured.

HOSE BIBBS AND EXTERIOR SUPPLY PIPES

The hose bibb on the front of the house is loose. This could result in damage to the water pipe and leakage. The bibb should be securely fastened to the wall.



INTERIOR

DOORS

Several of the doors are equipped with hinge mounted door stops. This type of door stop can damage the door skin, tear out hinge screws, and damage the door trim and frame. The removal and replacement with wall or floor mounted door stops is recommended.

Some of the doors are missing their door stops. This condition will lead to damage of the wall surfaces. Door stops should be installed where necessary.

WINDOWS

One of the southeast bedroom window screens is damaged. Damaged screens should be repaired or replaced so that the window(s) can be left open for ventilation as designed.

INSULATION

FLOOR INSULATION

Some of the insulation batts were not properly secured and have falling down. The fallen batts should be reinstalled and secured.





CRAWLSPACE

VAPOR RETARDER

The foundation walls are covered with the plastic vapor retarder. This allows the transmission of water vapor from the soil up and into the exterior wall framing. The plastic vapor retarder should be removed from the foundation.

The support post concrete piers are covered with the plastic vapor retarder. This allows the transmission of water vapor from the soil up and into the floor framing. The plastic vapor retarder should be removed from the piers.





PEST CONTROL

There is evidence of rodent activity in the crawlspace. The first step in eliminating rodents from the crawlspace is to seal all possible entry points using wire mesh, caulking, wood, stainless steel wool, aerosol foam or mortar. Careful work sealing cracks, holes, gaps, and covering ground water drain inlets will discourage rodent activity. Once this work is completed, snap traps baited with peanut butter should be installed and monitored. The absence of rodents in the traps typically means that the rodents have been excluded from the area.

Several of these items will likely require further evaluation and repair by licensed tradespeople. Other minor items are also noted in the report and could be mentioned but none of them affect the habitability of the house.

Thank you for selecting our firm to do your home inspection. If you have any questions regarding the inspection report or the home, please feel free to call us.

Sincerely,

Terry Clark 206-660-9200 Clark Inspections

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Report: Arman Avetisian & Renata Beglarian

Confidential Inspection Report 17016 Northeast 131st Pl. Redmond, WA 98052

June 10, 2023

Prepared for: Arman & Renata Avetisian & Beglarian

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GENERAL INFORMATION

CLIENT & SITE INFORMATION:

DATE OF INSPECTION: 6/10/2023. **INSPECTOR'S NAME:** Terry Clark.

CLIENT NAME: Mr. Arman Avetisian & Ms. Renata Beglarian.

MAILING ADDRESS: 17016 NE 131st Pl. Redmond WA.

CLIENT E-MAIL ADDRESS armanavs999@gmail.com; beglaren@gmail.com.

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY 17016 Northeast 131st Pl.

INSPECTED Redmond WA.



outh elevation



CLIMATIC CONDITIONS:

WEATHER: Overcast, Rain. **APPROXIMATE** OUTSIDE 57 degrees.

TEMPERATURE:

BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS:

MAIN ENTRY FACES: South.

ESTIMATED AGE OF BUILDING: The building is approximately 39 years old.

BUILDING TYPE: Single family residence.

SPACE BELOW GRADE: Crawlspace.

SCOPE, PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS

RESIDENTIAL

The purpose of this inspection was to discover and evaluate major defects, deficiencies and deferred maintenance found in the main components of the house and in the building site immediately around the building inspected. A major defect or deficiency is a system or component that in the judgment of the inspector, would cost in excess of \$500,00 to repair or replace, is not performing it's intended function, or adversely affects the habitability of the dwelling or building. Defects are examined and a determination is made on how a particular defect will affect interrelated building parts and whether immediate repairs are required.

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If you receive information from another building inspection professional, contractor or trades person that is in conflict with ours, or if you discover a major defect in your home or building that was not described in your verbal or written reports, please call us

immediately.

GENERAL COMMENTS

RECOMMENDATIONS

Certain building designs and/or building site topography may not qualify for earthquake insurance. Each company has its own underwriting policies. You should check with your insurance agent to determine whether or not your insurance company will write an earthquake policy on this property.

There may be information pertinent to this property which is a matter of public record. A search of public records is not within the scope of this inspection. We recommend you review all applicable public records that pertain to this property.

We make no representations as to the extent of presence of code violations, nor do we warrant the legal use of this building. This information can be obtained from the local building and/or zoning department.

A code is a system of rules and procedures, the purpose of which is to provide minimum standards to safeguard life, health, and property by regulating certain aspects of building design, construction, use and maintenance. Local codes are usually based on model codes. A community may amend or adopt only parts of a model code. These local codes may not always be the latest version of the model code. Code enforcement is nearly always a local government responsibility and is handled in several ways depending on the type of code and community involved. All model codes and most local codes, grant the code compliance inspector or building official the right to interpret the code to suit special situations. This makes the building official the final authority, not the code book.

Answering the question "Does this meet code?" depends on the building's age, when remodels and upgrades were performed and which codes if any are enforced. This information may not be readily available to the home inspector. Private inspectors usually can determine if an item complies with applicable national model codes, if they know when the work was done and what code was applicable at that time. Local municipalities adopt and enforce national model codes at their discretion. Private building inspectors are typically not permitted to perform code compliance inspections. Code compliance inspections are typically performed by the local code enforcement official. Private building inspectors check to determine whether or not an item performs its intended function or is in need of repair.

Code enforcement usually is a local question and subject to the interpretation by the building code enforcement official. Most communities do not require an existing building to meet "code" prior to sale.

Specific code questions can be referred to the local building official. however, you must realize that if city inspectors check a building, they have the authority to require corrections of any violation. Private building inspectors act solely in an advisory capacity. Their objective reports are a tremendous benefit to anyone purchasing or selling real estate.

BUILDING CODES

BUILDING SITE

The evaluation of the building site and grounds includes grading, roof water and surface drainage systems, fencing, gates, walkways, curbs, driveways, patios, and retaining walls connected to or directly adjacent the structure. These items are visually examined for proper function, excessive or unusual wear and general state of repair. Components or portions of components may not be visible because of soil, vegetation, storage of personal effects and/or the nature of construction. In such cases these items are considered inaccessible and are not inspected. Lawn irrigation systems, fountains, and low voltage decorative garden lights are not included in this inspection.

The following components were inspected:

ROOF WATER DRAIN SYSTEM

A below grade roof water drain system is used to divert rain water discharged from the downspouts away from the foundation wall. Below grade drain system designs vary and it is virtually impossible to evaluate the integrity of the system definitively, due to the fact that it is entirely underground. There is a high incidence of defects in these systems, due to the fact that historically, very few municipalities inspected or enforced design or quality standards.

Defects in these drain systems are one of the most common causes of water or moisture problems in ground floor occupancies, basements and crawlspaces. Overflowing gutters and clogged downspouts and scuppers also frequently cause or exacerbate moisture or water entry problems in and around the building. When water entry or moisture problems are discovered we recommend checking the entire roof water drain system to insure that it is functioning properly.

Occasionally, (once a year) flushing out the drain lines with a garden hose will reduce the build-up of debris and sludge which could impede drainage. This type of maintenance is most effective if the end of the drain line terminates in open air or in a storm sewer. If the drain line terminates in a dry well or leach field, then the washing of debris down the line is not advisable. The debris may eventually clog the perforations in the line which allow the water to escape. This could render the drain system inoperative. It is always best to prevent debris from entering at the inlet.

The building site is well drained. The finish grade slopes away from the house. No evidence of recent building site flooding, drainage or soil stability problems was observed.

Dense shrubbery and trees planted too close to the building can damage siding and the roof overhang and interfere with drainage and air movement, thus promoting fungus growth and accelerated deterioration of exterior finishes and wood. Trees and shrubs in contact with the building also provide carpenter ants with a route into walls or attics. Trees and shrubs should be trimmed back, where required. When landscaping, trees and shrubs should be planted back away from the building so that they have room to grow.

The driveway has cracked and settled differentially. This was probably caused by inadequate preparation of the soil prior to the placement of the concrete. This condition can be repaired by pressure grouting the sunken portion of the driveway or by removing and replacing it. The driveway remains functional despite this condition.

Cracks were observed in the concrete surface of the driveway. Minor cracks can be sealed to minimize moisture entry and further settlement of the concrete. Minor cracks are common and do not affect the serviceability of the concrete.



The gaps separating the concrete walkway sections are a trip hazard. Replacement with mortar is recommended.

GRADING

VEGETATION

DRIVEWAY

WALKWAY

Many legal and public works departments have defined a trip hazard as an irregularity in a walking surface exceeding one inch (1") in height. All walking surfaces should maintain, free of a vertical surface change of 3/4" or more, in the interest of public and personal safety.

The wooden dividers separating the concrete walkway sections have deteriorated to a point where the gaps are a trip hazard. Replacement with mortar is recommended.





FENCES AND GATES

One or more of the fence posts are deteriorated. Fence posts should be repaired or replaced as necessary.

The gate is properly installed and is performing its intended function.



BUILDING EXTERIOR

The evaluation of the building exterior includes the paint, stain, siding, windows, doors, flashing, trim, fascia, eaves, soffits, decks, porches balconies and railings. These items are visually examined for proper function, excessive or unusual wear and general state of repair. Components or portions of components may not be visible because of soil, vegetation, storage of personal effects and/or the nature of construction. In such cases these items are considered inaccessible and are not inspected.

The following components were inspected:

PRIMARY EXTERIOR **CLADDING**

WALL Cedar lap siding is used as an exterior wall cladding. Cedar is a wood that is durable and moderately resistant to decay. Maintaining the finish on the exposed siding will maximize its service life. The siding shows minor wear and deterioration typically caused when the exterior finish is not maintained. The deterioration is cosmetic and does not affect the function of the siding. No action is indicated.

PEST CONTROL

Good building practice requires that foundation walls or pier footings supporting wood frame construction, extend at least 8" above the finish grade with at least a 6" clearance between the top of the soil and the bottom of the wood finish materials. Soil in direct contact with wood creates a hospitable environment for wood destroying organisms. These minimum standards should be maintained throughout the building exterior.

SOFFITS AND OVERHANGS

The building has adequate overhangs. Overhangs protect the exterior walls, windows, doors, siding and exterior finish from the ravages of direct rain fall. Buildings with adequately sized overhangs will generally require less frequent exterior maintenance and are less likely to suffer from moisture related problems on the exterior walls.

There are large gaps over 1/4" in size adjacent the soffit vent blocks. These gaps allow insects and rodents to enter the attic. Covering the gaps with screening, a strip of wood and/or caulking is recommended.







GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS

Roof runoff is collected and channeled into the downspouts by aluminum gutters fastened to the rafter tails.

There is a build-up of organic debris inside the gutters. Proper maintenance of gutters and downspouts is essential and should be performed routinely in order to prevent clogging. Maintenance consists primarily of keeping leaves and other organic debris out of the system. Failure to clean the gutters will result in water splash on the building when they overflow. Gutters can be damaged under the weight of the water and organic matter inside the gutter. Gutters should be cleaned as necessary to maintain a free flow of water into the downspouts.





PAINT

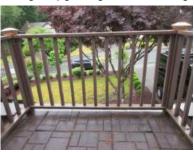
DECK

DECK RAILINGS

The exterior paint and caulking is in good condition and is functioning as intended. Paint protects the wood from cupping, checking, warping and rot.

The deck is constructed from a combination of pressure treated fir and cedar. The deck is well constructed and is performing its intended function. Untreated wood (fir or cedar) will eventually rot. Annual treatments of the deck with a good quality wood preservative/water repellant will prevent cupping, checking and rotting of the wood and will maximize its service life. Do not use paint on exposed deck surfaces as it will peel and become difficult to maintain. Paint also traps moisture in the wood and will accelerate deterioration.

The spacing between the balusters is too wide. This is a hazard to small children. The balusters should be spaced close enough together so that a 4" sphere cannot pass through. Upgrading the deck railing is recommended if small children are present.





STAIRS
PORCH
EXTERIOR DOORS

The deck stairs are properly constructed and are performing their intended function.

The front porch is in good condition.

The exterior doors are properly installed and are functioning as intended except where noted below.

The rear entry door deadbolt is in need of minor adjustment and/or repair. Door hardware should be adjusted or replaced as necessary to restore full function.

Wood doors are undesirable for use at any location that has chronic exposure to rainfall or water splash. Consideration should be given to upgrading the exposed wood doors to aluminum or vinyl clad doors.





ROOF

We evaluate the condition of the roof system by inspecting the roofing material, skylights, flashings, penetrations and roof water drainage system for damage and deterioration. If we observe conditions such as damage, deterioration, defects in materials or workmanship, these items will be noted in your report. We may also offer opinions concerning repair and replacement. Opinions stated herein concerning the condition of the roof and roof service life are based on the condition of the roof system at the time of the inspection. These opinions do not constitute a warranty that the roof is, or will remain, free of leaks. All roof systems require annual maintenance and occasional repair. Failure to perform routine roof maintenance will usually result in leaks and accelerated deterioration of the roofing material. Our estimate of the life expectancy of the roof is based on the assumption that the roof will be properly repaired and maintained during that period.

The following components were inspected:

GENERAL INFORMATION The roofing material is asphalt composition shingles. The slope or pitch of the roof is

steep. Metal gutters are used to collect the roof water drainage. The roof is

approximately 2 years old.

INSPECTION METHOD The roof was too steep to walk on safely. Therefore the inspector examined the roof from

the edge and from windows.

CHIMNEYS The visible portion of the masonry chimney is properly constructed and is in good

condition.

GAS APPLIANCE VENTS

The visible portion of the gas appliance type B vent is properly installed and in good

condition.

FLASHINGS Metal flashings are used to seal around chimneys, vents and roof to wall intersections.

The flashings are properly installed and are performing their intended function.

GENERAL COMMENTS The roofing material was properly installed and is in serviceable condition. With proper

care and maintenance this roof should remain serviceable for up to 25 more years.

ATTIC

The attic contains the roof framing and serves as a raceway for components of the plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems. There are often heating ducts, bathroom vent ducts, electrical wiring, chimneys and gas appliance vents in the attic. We examine the visible portions of the various systems and components for proper function, excessive or unusual wear, general state of repair, roof leakage, attic venting and misguided improvements. When low clearance and/or deep insulation prohibit walking in an unfinished attic, inspection will be performed from the access opening only.

The following components were inspected:

ACCESS

The attic access is located in the primary bedroom closet. The attic was inspected from the access hole only.

VENTILATION

The attic is adequately vented.

MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

VENTILATION Flexible plastic duct is used to direct air from the vent fans to the exterior. Several of the ducts for the bathroom vent fans have become detached in the attic. This allows moisture laden air to be discharged in the attic rather than outside. This is an undesirable condition that causes excessive moisture in the attic and can result in mold or fungus growth. The ducts should be reconnected and secured. This type of material is unreliable. Replacing the plastic duct with 4" smooth-wall sheet metal duct is recommended.



PEST CONTROL

There are yellow jacket nests in the attic. Yellow jackets are very aggressive in late summer and their sting is painful. Yellow jacket activity can be avoided by sealing all openings into the attic, particularly above the gable end walls and below vent blocks.

The first step in preventing rodents from entering the attic is to seal all possible entry points using wire mesh, caulking, wood, stainless steel wool, or aerosol foam. Careful work sealing cracks, holes and gaps over 1/4" in size will discourage activity.



Observed adjacent the chimney in attic

GARAGE

The garage often contains major components of the plumbing, heating and electrical systems. These components are discussed under their respective headings. Components that were tested and/or inspected in the garage and reported here include the garage floor, overhead door(s), automatic openers and fire resistive barriers.

ATTACHED GARAGE - The following components were inspected:

GARAGE FLOOR

There are small shrinkage cracks visible in the concrete, however, there is no vertical

displacement of any portion of the slab. Shrinkage cracks are common in garage floors and are not considered a structural defect. The garage floor is properly installed and is

functioning as intended.

OVERHEAD GARAGE DOORS The garage is fitted with a pair of roll-up doors. The garage doors are properly installed

and are performing their intended function.

GARAGE DOOR OPENER The garage door openers were tested and were functional. The auto stop reverse safety

switches were functioning as intended.

FIRE SEPARATION The exposed wood is a breech in the fire resistive barrier in the garage. This is a safety

concern. The gypsum barrier slows the spread of a fire from the garage to the structure. The installation of a layer of 5/8" gypsum type X board over the exposed wood is

recommended.

PASSAGE DOOR The door between the garage and living space is a solid core door. The door is properly

installed and is in good condition, however, it lacks a self closing hinge. The installation

of a self closing hinge is recommended as a safety upgrade.

EXTERIOR DOOR(S) The exterior door to the garage is blocked and its function was not verified.

RECEPTACLES There are unprotected receptacles in the garage. The installation of GFCI protection for

all of the garage receptacles is recommended.

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

An electrical system consists of the service, distribution, wiring and convenience outlets (switches, lights and receptacles). Our examination of the electrical system includes the exposed and accessible wiring, service panels, subpanels, overcurrent protection devices, light fixtures and all accessible wall receptacles. We look for adverse conditions such as improper installation of aluminum wiring, lack of grounding, overfusing, exposed wiring, open-air wire splices, reversed polarity and defective GFCIs. The hidden nature of the electrical wiring prevents inspection of every length of wire. Telephone, video, audio, security system and other low voltage wiring is not included in this inspection. We recommend you have the seller demonstrate the serviceability of these systems to you.

The following components were inspected:

ELECTRICAL **SPECIFICATIONS** SYSTEM The voltage is 120/240 single phase three wire service. The power is delivered to this building via an underground service lateral. The amperage rating of this service is 200.

Copper wire is used for all 120 volt circuits. Aluminum is used for some of the 240 volt circuits. Non-metallic sheathed cable (Romex) is the type of wiring used throughout the

house. The grounding of the service is provided by two driven rods.

UNDERGROUND LATERAL

SERVICE The underground service lateral was not visible for inspection. However, there was 120/240 volt power to the building which suggests that it is functioning as intended.

SERVICE PANEL LOCATION

The service panel is located in the garage.

MAIN DISCONNECT LOCATION

The main disconnect is an integral part of the service panel. The ampacity of the main disconnect is 200 amps.

SERVICE

ENTRANCE The service entrance conductors are 4/0 aluminum and have an ampacity of 200 amps. CONDUCTORS/CABLES/RACEW The service entrance conductors are properly installed and in serviceable condition.

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SERVICE AMPACITY

The capacity of the electrical service is 200 amps. A 200 amp service is adequate for this house with the existing electrical equipment. There is also room to add additional

circuits if necessary.

SERVICE GROUNDING

BONDING

AND The service grounding electrode conductor attachment point was not visible for inspection. The adequacy of the service ground was not determined. The evaluation of

this connection may require removal of finish materials and is beyond the scope of this

inspection.

SERVICE PANEL The electrical service panel is properly installed and in serviceable condition except

where noted below.

Screws that secure the panel cover to the panel box are missing. This is a potential hazard. Missing screws should be replaced with the original style blunt end screws.

The circuits are labeled. The accuracy of the labeling was not verified. Do not assume the labeled circuit is off unless it has been checked with a voltage tester.



OVER CURRENT PROTECTION

Circuit breakers are used for over current protection. The circuit breakers are properly installed and the ampacity of the connected wires is compatible with that of the circuit

breakers. The circuit breakers were not tested.

WIRING

There were no defects observed in the visible and accessible wiring.

ALUMINUM WIRING

This house uses stranded aluminum wire for service entrance conductors and for dedicated major appliance circuits. This type of aluminum wire circuitry is typically found

in most houses and is considered safe and reliable when installed correctly.

RECEPTACLES

All of the readily accessible receptacles were tested. Testing revealed defects requiring

repair. These defects are outlined below.

The receptacle on the north wall of the family room and a junction box in the garage are loose. This is a potential shock and a fire hazard. All loose receptacles should be repaired as necessary.



GFCI RECEPTACLES

A ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) is a device that detects ground faults (current leakage to ground). It protects you from electrocution. GFCI protection is required for receptacles in bathrooms, kitchens, garages, unfinished basements, crawlspaces and at exterior receptacles.

The installation of additional GFCI protection for all of the kitchen and garage receptacles is recommended.

AFCI RECEPTACLES

AFCI protection is required for all 15 and 20 amp branch circuits to have protection from the entire branch circuit when that circuit has outlets in dwelling family homes, dining rooms, living rooms, parlors, libraries, dens, bedrooms, sunrooms, recreation rooms, closets, hallways, or similar rooms or areas.

Replacement receptacles are now required to be arc-fault circuit interrupter (AFCI) protected. This means that if you are replacing an old outlet in an old home in a location that needs AFCI protection in a new home, the replacement outlet needs to be AFCI protected.

LUMINARIES SWITCHES All of the accessible luminaries were tested and were found to be functional.

All of the accessible switches were tested and were found to be properly wired and functional except where noted below.

The three-way switch circuit in the entry is not wired correctly or a two-way switch has been installed on a three-way circuit. This prevents operation of the light from both switches. The services of a qualified electrical contractor should be retained for repairs.

CEILING FAN

Ceiling fans can fall from the ceiling if not properly installed. Verifying proper installation requires removal of the ceiling fan which is beyond the scope of this inspection. The fan should be installed on a special electrical box that is approved for use with a ceiling fan. The box should be securely fastened to the framing. The ceiling fan was tested and was functioning as intended.

HEATING SYSTEM

A natural gas, propane or oil fired furnace or boiler consists of the self contained furnace or boiler, ducts or pipes for heated air or water distribution, thermostats for regulating the amount of heat and a vent system for removing the combustion gases from the building. The readily accessible portions of these items are examined for defects and are tested using normal operator controls. Most heating systems should be serviced annually by a qualified service technician. Failure to perform regular maintenance will affect the reliability of the heating system and will reduce service

FORCED AIR HEATING SYSTEM - The following components were inspected:

GENERAL INFORMATION Heat is provided by a high efficiency natural gas fired condensing furnace. The furnace

is located in the garage. The furnace is approximately 9 years old. The input rating of the furnace is 40,000 BTU. This BTU rating is typical of a home of this size and age.

GAS PIPING The flex connector is properly installed and is performing its intended function.

AUTOMATIC GAS VALVE The automatic gas valve or safety valve is designed to prevent the emission of fuel into

the furnace if it does not detect heat for ignition. These valves are generally very reliable.

The automatic gas valve was functioning as intended.

IGNITION The furnace uses an electronic spark ignition. This component was functioning as

intended.

BURNERS The gas burners are properly installed and are functioning as intended.

COMBUSTION AIR The combustion air provides the oxygen for the fuel burning appliances. Combustion air

> also aids in the movement of combustion gases up the flue. Adequate ventilation around all fuel burning appliances is vital for their safe operation. The air can come from inside the house or from outside providing that the amount of air reaching the appliance is sufficient to maintain efficient combustion and draft. The combustion air supply is

adequate.

FLOOR

ELEVATION ABOVE GARAGE The burners in the furnace are elevated at least 18" above the garage floor in accordance with industry standards. This elevation prevents ignition of gasoline fumes

that might leak from cars, lawn mowers, gas cans, etc.

HEAT EXCHANGER The heat exchanger is not visible without disassembling and removing it from the

furnace. Cracks typically develop in heat exchangers after 10-20 years. Have your gas

furnace technician check the heat exchanger during the next major service.

DRAFT INDUCER The draft inducer pulls the combustion gases through the heat exchanger and pushes

them up the vent connector into the flue. The draft inducer was functioning as intended.

VENT The PVC plastic vent pipe for the condensing furnace is properly installed and is

functioning as intended.

BI OWFR The blower draws air from the return air ducts and pushes it over the heat exchanger

where it is heated. The air is then pushed through the distribution ducts into the rooms.

The blower was tested and was functioning as intended.

AIR FILTER The air filters are located in the return air plenum adjacent to the furnace. The air filters

should be cleaned or replaced at least 2-3 times during the heating season.

The air filters are clogged with dust. This reduces air flow and furnace efficiency. Removal and replacement of the air filters is recommended. Pleated style air filters are recommended as they offer better filtration of dust than the coarser hogs hair or

fiberglass filters.

DUCTS The ducts are constructed out of sheet metal and flex duct. The ducts are properly

installed and are performing their intended function.

The thermostat is properly installed and the unit responded to the basic controls. This is **THERMOSTAT**

a programmable device with options for automatic temperature settings (up and down). Testing the automatic operations of this thermostat is beyond the scope of this

inspection.

CONDENSATE DRAIN/PUMP High efficiency furnaces like this one produce condensate water inside the furnace that

must be collected and disposed of. The water is collected and disposed of via a plastic

drain pipe. The drain pipe appears functional.

The furnace responded to the thermostats call for heat and all major components were GENERAL COMMENTS

functional.

The furnace is in need of routine servicing. This type of furnace should be serviced annually.

WATER HEATER

Our review of water heaters includes the tank, gas and/or water connections, electrical connections, venting and safety valves. These items are examined for proper function, excessive or unusual wear, leakage and general state of repair. The hidden nature of piping and venting prevents inspection of every pipe, joint, vent and connection.

The following components were inspected:

LOCATION OF UNIT The water heater is located in the garage.

GENERAL INFORMATION The water heater fuel is natural gas. The capacity of the water heater is 50 gallons. The

input rating of the burner is approximately 40,000 BTU. The water heater is approximately 7 years old. Water heaters of this type typically last about 10-15 years.

The pressure relief valve is properly installed. The valve was not tested, as this could PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE

cause the valve to leak.

SHUTOFF VALVE The shutoff valve for the water supply to the water heater is properly installed and is

functioning as intended.

WATER CONNECTIONS

TANK

AT The water connections at the tank are properly installed and are performing their

intended function.

The automatic gas valve or safety valve is designed to prevent the emission of fuel into AUTOMATIC GAS VALVE

the appliance if it does not detect heat for ignition. These valves are generally very

reliable. The automatic gas valve was functioning as intended.

BURNER The gas burner is properly installed and is functioning as intended.

GAS PIPING The flex connector is properly installed and is performing its intended function.

VENT The water heater uses a type B vent from the top of the draft hood to the exterior. The

visible portion of the B vent is properly installed and is functioning as intended.

COMBUSTION AIR The combustion air provides the oxygen for the fuel burning appliances. Combustion air

also aids in the movement of combustion gases up the flue. Adequate ventilation around all fuel burning appliances is vital for their safe operation. The air can come from inside the house or from outside providing that the amount of air reaching the appliance is sufficient to maintain efficient combustion and draft. The combustion air supply is

adequate.

SEISMIC RESTRAINT The water heater is secured to the wall. This prevents it from falling over during an

earthquake and rupturing gas and water lines.

FLOOR

ELEVATION ABOVE GARAGE The burner of the water heater is elevated at least 18" above the garage floor in accordance with industry standards. This elevation prevents ignition of gasoline fumes

that might leak from cars, lawn mowers, gas cans, etc.

GENERAL COMMENTS The water heater is nearing the end of its service life. The need for water heater

replacement should be anticipated.

KITCHEN

The kitchen was inspected for proper function of components, active leakage, excessive or unusual wear and general state of repair. We inspect built-in appliances using normal operating controls. This includes running the dishwasher, operating the garbage disposal and microwave and checking the burners or heating elements in the stove and oven. Accuracy and/or function of clocks, timers, temperature controls and self cleaning functions on ovens is beyond the scope of our testing procedure. Refrigerators are not tested or inspected unless specifically noted.

The following components were inspected:

COUNTERTOPS The countertops are covered with slab granite. The counter tops are properly installed

and are in good condition.

The caulking is deteriorated at the intersection between the counter top and the wall. This allows water and food to enter the gap between the back splash and counter and is

difficult to clean. Recaulking this area is recommended.

CABINETS The finish on the kitchen cabinets is slightly worn. The cabinets are otherwise in good

condition.

FLOORING MATERIAL The floor is covered with hardwood. The floor is properly installed and is in good

condition.

VENTILATION Ventilation in the kitchen is provided by a range hood over the stove. The vent is ducted

to the exterior. The vent fan is properly installed and is performing its intended function.

SINK FAUCET The sink faucet is properly installed and is in good condition.

SINK The kitchen sink is properly installed and is in good condition.

DRAINS, TRAPS AND TRAP The sink drain is properly installed and is performing its intended function.

ARMS

AIR GAP An air gap called a Johnson Tee is installed in the kitchen wall. This air gap protects the

dishwasher from contamination caused by a backflow of waste water. The visible

portions of the Johnson Tee were properly installed and functioning as intended.

RANGE No tip out protection was installed for the range. This is a hazard for small children. We

recommend tip out protection devices be installed.

OVEN The oven was tested and was functioning as intended.

COOKTOP The cooktop elements were tested and were functioning as intended.

DISHWASHER The dishwasher was tested and was functioning as intended.

GARBAGE DISPOSAL The garbage disposal was tested and was functioning as intended.

REFRIGERATOR The refrigerator is functioning as intended.

BATHROOMS

Our inspection of the bathrooms consists of testing of the plumbing fixtures for condition and function. Defects such as leaks, cracked or damaged sinks, tubs and toilets will be listed under the heading of the bathroom in which they were found. The bathroom floor, tub and shower walls are examined for water damage. Ventilation fans are tested for proper operation. Cabinets and countertops are examined for excessive wear and deterioration. Hydromassage tubs are tested and the pump and related equipment are examined when accessible.

BATHROOM

LOCATION Powder Room, Main Floor.

FLOORING MATERIAL The floor is covered with hardwood. The floor is properly installed and is in good

condition.

TOILET The toilet is loose where it mounts to the floor. A loose toilet will eventually start to leak

and will damage the flooring material, underlayment and subfloor. The most reliable fix for this condition is to remove the toilet and install a new wax seal. The toilet should then

be securely mounted to the floor.

SINK The bathroom sink is properly installed and is in good condition.

The drain stop is missing. It should be replaced.

DRAINS, TRAPS AND TRAP The sink drain is properly installed and is performing its intended function.

ARMS

FAUCET FIXTURES The faucet fixture was tested and was functioning as intended.

CABINETS The finish on the bathroom cabinet is slightly worn. The cabinet is otherwise in good

condition.

COUNTERTOP The countertop is covered with ceramic tile. The countertop is properly installed and in

good condition.

GFCI RECEPTACLES A ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) is a device that detects ground faults (current

leakage to ground). It protects you from electrocution. GFCI protection is required for receptacles in bathrooms, kitchens, garages, unfinished basements, crawlspaces and at

exterior receptacles. GFCI protected receptacles were found in this bathroom.

BATHROOM

LOCATION Upper Floor Hallway.

SHOWER The shower walls are properly installed and are in good condition. Most ceramic tile is

applied directly over gypsum board rather than on a concrete board such as "Durock" or "Wonder Board". Where the tile is applied directly over the gypsum board, it is critical that the tile grout be maintained to prevent water intrusion behind the tile. Missing or cracked grout should be repaired. Inside corners, and penetrations in the tile should be

kept sealed with a high quality caulk.

The shower pan was tested by filling it with water and letting it stand for 20 minutes.

There was no evidence of leakage underneath.

GLASS ENCLOSURE The glass shower enclosure is labeled as tempered safety glass, is properly installed

and in good condition.

FLOORING MATERIAL The floor is covered with ceramic tile. The tile is properly installed and is in good

condition.

TOILET The toilet is loose where it mounts to the floor. A loose toilet will eventually start to leak

and will damage the flooring material, underlayment and subfloor. The most reliable fix for this condition is to remove the toilet and install a new wax seal. The toilet should then

be securely mounted to the floor.

SINK The bathroom sink is properly installed and is in good condition.

DRAINS, TRAPS AND TRAP The sink drains are properly installed and are performing their intended function.

ARMS

FAUCET FIXTURES The faucet fixtures were tested and were functioning as intended.

CABINETS The finish on the bathroom cabinet is slightly worn. The cabinet is otherwise in good

condition.

COUNTERTOP The countertops are covered with slab quartz. The counter tops are properly installed

and are in good condition.

VENTILATION Ventilation in this bathroom is provided by a ceiling fan. This fan was operated and was

found to be working satisfactorily.

GFCI RECEPTACLES GFCI protected receptacles were found in this bathroom.

BATHROOM

LOCATION Primary Bedroom.

BATHTUB The bathtub is properly installed and is in good condition.

TUB WALLS The tile around the bathtub is in good condition.

GLASS ENCLOSURE The glass shower enclosure is labeled as tempered safety glass, is properly installed

and in good condition.

FLOORING MATERIAL The floor is covered with ceramic tile. The tile is properly installed and is in good

condition.

TOILET The toilet is loose where it mounts to the floor. A loose toilet will eventually start to leak

and will damage the flooring material, underlayment and subfloor. The most reliable fix for this condition is to remove the toilet and install a new wax seal. The toilet should then

be securely mounted to the floor.

SINK The bathroom sinks are properly installed and are in good condition.

The drain stops are missing. They should be replaced.

DRAINS, TRAPS AND TRAP The sink drains are properly installed and are performing their intended function.

ARMS

FAUCET FIXTURES The sink faucet fixtures were tested and were functional.

The hot and cold supply lines are reversed at the tub faucet. This can cause scalding. Repairs are recommended. Most cartridge faucets can be disassembled, the cartridge rotated 180 degrees and then reassembled. This will correct the deficiency. Supply tubes must be reversed in dual handled faucets.

The tub fixtures are loose at their base. The fixtures should be adequately secured.

CABINETS The finish on the bathroom cabinet is slightly worn. The cabinet is otherwise in good

condition.

COUNTERTOP The countertop is covered with ceramic tile. The countertop is properly installed and in

good condition.

The backsplash caulking is cracked. Cracking of the caulk allows water to enter the gap

and is difficult to clean. Caulking the cracks and/or gaps is recommended.

VENTILATION Ventilation in this bathroom is provided by a ceiling fan. This fan was operated and was

found to be working.

The vent fan register has become clogged. This reduces the fans efficiency. The fan register/cover should be cleaned.

GFCI RECEPTACLES GFCI protected receptacles were found in this bathroom.

LAUNDRY ROOM

Appliances are tested when present and when circumstances allow.

The following components were inspected:

FLOORING MATERIAL

The floor is covered with sheet vinyl. The floor is properly installed and is in good condition.

The vinyl flooring lacks a transition strip. The exposed edge of the flooring is vulnerable to damage. We recommend the installation of a transition strip.



APPLIANCES

The hookups for the washer are properly installed and in serviceable condition. The washer itself was operated through a partial cycle, however we did not conform the complete operation of the cycle timer.

The hookups for the dryer are properly installed and in serviceable condition. The dryer itself was operated through a partial cycle, however we did not confirm the complete operation of the cycle timer.

DRYER VENT

The dryer vent duct has been damaged and does not appear to be repairable. Replacement is recommended. Present standards for dryer vents require a 4 inch, smooth wall duct, no longer than 35 feet, with a hooded damper at the exterior termination. A flexible duct (6 ft max) can only be used between the dryer and floor or wall inlet.

PLUMBING SYSTEM

A plumbing system consists of the water heater, domestic water supply lines, drain, waste and vent lines and gas lines. Inspection of the plumbing system is limited to the water heater, visible faucets, fixtures, valves, drains, traps, exposed pipes and fittings. These items are examined for proper function, excessive or unusual wear, leakage, and general state of repair. Valves are not tested except where specifically noted. The hidden nature of piping prevents inspection of every pipe and joint. A sewer lateral test, necessary to determine the condition of the underground sewer lines, is beyond the scope of this inspection. If desired, a qualified individual could be retained for such a test. Our review of the plumbing system does not include landscape irrigation systems, off site community water supply systems or private (septic) waste disposal systems. Review of these systems should be performed by qualified and licensed specialists prior to the close of escrow.

The following components were inspected:

PLUMBING SPECIFICATIONS SYSTEM The building is on a public water supply system. The building is connected to the

municipal sewer system. Copper tubing is used for the water supply piping. ABS plastic

is used for the drain, waste and vent pipes.

MAIN WATER SHUTOFF VALVE There is no shutoff valve inside the house. The water must be shutoff at the water meter.

This could be inconvenient in an emergency. Consideration should be given to installing

a water shutoff valve in the house.

MAIN WATER LINE

The main water line is buried underground and was not visible for inspection. The flow indicator on the water meter was checked with all the water shut off in the house. There was no movement of the flow indicator. This suggests that there are no leaks in the main water line. You should check the meter periodically (2-4 times a year) with all the water in the house shut off. Movement of the flow indicator on the meter means that there is a

leak either inside the house or in the main line underground.

INTERIOR **PIPES**

WATER

SUPPLY The visible portions of the copper water supply pipes are properly installed and

functional. Copper is considered one of the most desirable materials for interior supply

pipes and is expected to last the lifetime of the building.

WATER PRESSURE

The water pressure is 50 PSI. This is in the normal range of 30-80 PSI.

DRAIN AND WASTE PIPES

ABS plastic is used for drain, waste and vent pipes. All of the visible drain pipes were properly installed and functional. ABS is a durable, reliable material and should last the lifetime of the building. All drain, waste and vent pipes were stress tested by filling bathtubs and fixtures to the overflow and then draining them while simultaneously flushing the toilet and running the sinks and showers. No leaks were observed and all fixtures emptied in a reasonable amount of time with no fluctuation in the rate of flow down the drain. This is commonly referred to as "functional drainage".

VENT PIPES

The visible portions of the vent pipes are properly installed and are performing their

intended function.

FAUCET FIXTURES

All faucet fixtures were tested and were functioning as intended with exceptions noted

below.

The hot and cold supply lines are reversed at the primary bathroom tub faucet. This can cause scalding. Repairs are recommended. Most cartridge faucets can be disassembled, the cartridge rotated 180 degrees and then reassembled. This will correct the deficiency. Supply tubes must be reversed in dual handled faucets.

The primary bathroom tub fixtures are loose at their base. The fixtures should be adequately secured.

SUPPLY PIPES

HOSE BIBBS AND EXTERIOR The hose bibbs on this building are the frost free type. These hose bibbs typically will not freeze as long as the hoses are removed. Failure to remove hoses during freezing weather could result in a cracked pipe and leakage. The bibbs were tested and were functioning as intended.

> The hose bibb on the front of the house is loose. This could result in damage to the water pipe and leakage. The bibb should be securely fastened to the wall.



GAS PIPING

The gas pipes adjacent to the water heater are not protected by a bumper stop. A vertical steel pipe, bolted to the floor, is typically installed in front of the water heater to prevent a car bumper from damaging the gas lines.



GAS METER

The gas meter is located on the west side of the building. The main gas shut off valve is installed on the high pressure line emanating out of the ground. This valve requires a wrench to open and close. Keeping a gas valve wrench or adjustable wrench accessible near the gas meter is recommended.

INTERIOR

Our review of the interior includes inspection of walls, ceilings, floors, doors, windows, cabinetry, countertops, steps, stairways, balconies and railings. These features are examined for proper function, excessive wear and general state of repair. In some cases, all or portions of these components may not be visible because of furnishings and personal effects. In such cases these items are not inspected.

GENERAL COMMENTS The interior wall, floor, and ceiling surfaces were properly installed and generally in

serviceable condition, taking into consideration normal wear and tear.

FLOORS The vinyl flooring in the laundry room lacks a transition strip. The exposed edge of the

flooring is vulnerable to damage. We recommend the installation of a transition strip.

STAIRS The stairs were used several times during the inspection. The stair components are

properly installed and no deficiencies were noted during use. A handrail is installed and

is securely attached.

WALLS AND CEILINGS There are minor cracks in the walls and/or ceilings. This is a common condition with this

type of construction and does not indicate a structural deficiency. The cracks can be repaired or painted over during routine maintenance. Cracks in drywall that have been repaired will often reoccur several months after the repairs have been completed. This is

due to seasonal movement of the structure caused by changes in humidity.

DOORS All of the doors were tested and were found to be functioning as intended.

> Several of the doors are equipped with hinge mounted door stops. This type of door stop can damage the door skin, tear out hinge screws, and damage the door trim and frame. The removal and replacement with wall or floor mounted door stops is recommended.

> Some of the doors are missing their door stops. This condition will lead to damage of the

wall surfaces. Door stops should be installed where necessary.

All of the closet doors were tested and were found to be functioning as intended.

The window frames are constructed from PVC and have insulated glass in them. All of the windows were tested and/or inspected. All of the windows tested and/or inspected

were found to be functioning as intended.

One of the southeast bedroom window screens is damaged. Damaged screens should be repaired or replaced so that the window(s) can be left open for ventilation as

designed.

SMOKE DETECTORS There is a smoke detector in the hallway outside of the bedrooms. Additional smoke

detectors should be installed inside the bedrooms near the door.

Smoke detectors are examined for location only. They are not tested. Smoke detector batteries should be replaced when you move in and every year thereafter. Once batteries have been replaced, the smoke detectors should be tested for proper

operation.

lonization technology is generally more sensitive than photoelectric technology at detecting small particles, which tend to be produced in greater amounts by flaming fires, which consume combustible materials rapidly and spread quickly. Sources of these fires

may include paper burning in a wastebasket or a grease fire in the kitchen.

Photoelectric technology is generally more sensitive than ionization technology at detecting large particles, which tend to be produced in greater amounts by smoldering fires, which may smolder for hours before bursting into flame. Sources of these fires may include cigarettes burning on couches or bedding.

FOR MAXIMUM PROTECTION: Use both Ionization and Photoelectric smoke alarms in every bedroom/hallway on every level of your home.

At least one carbon monoxide monitor should be installed for each floor. The best place to install the monitor is in an open area near the gas appliance.

The doorbell was functioning as intended.

The following items were inspected:

CLOSET DOORS WINDOWS

DOOR BELL

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FIREPLACES, WOOD STOVES AND SPACE HEATERS

The following components were inspected:

METAL FIREPLACES The visible portion of the metal fireplace was evaluated. The fireplace is in good

condition and no defects or deficiencies were observed.

GAS LOGS The gas log was tested and was functioning as intended. When operating this gas log,

make sure that the fireplace damper is open otherwise deadly combustion gases will spill into the room. The installation of a carbon monoxide detector in the room near the

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fireplace is recommended as a safety upgrade.

The gas supply for the fireplace is located on the wall or floor adjacent to the hearth. The

key that turns on this valve should be kept out of the reach of children.

DAMPERS The fireplace dampers are functioning as intended. A fireplace damper that is left open

when the fireplace is not being used allows huge quantities of heated air to escape up the chimney. Keeping your fireplace damper closed will result in a significant reduction

in heating costs.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

Environmental issues include but are not limited to carbon monoxide, radon, asbestos, lead paint, lead contamination, toxic waste, formaldehyde, electromagnetic radiation, buried fuel oil tanks, ground water contamination and soil contamination. The absence of a statement on any of the environmental issues listed above does not necessarily mean that they are not present. We make reference to these substances only when we recognize them during the normal inspection process. Most of the toxic substances listed above cannot be identified without laboratory testing. If further study or analysis seems prudent, the advice and services of the appropriate specialists are advised.

The following items may exist in this building:

CARBON MONOXIDE

Many of us encounter CO regularly and never know it because it's invisible and odorless. That's why victims of CO poisoning often have no warning that they are in danger... until it's too late. Symptoms include headache, nausea, chronic fatigue, confusion and dizziness. Extreme exposure can even cause a coma or death.

Carbon monoxide is a product of incomplete (poor) combustion. It's a direct and cumulative poison. When combined with blood hemoglobin, CO replaces oxygen in the blood until it completely overcomes the body. Death from CO occurs suddenly. The victim inhaling the toxic concentration of the gas becomes helpless before realizing that danger exists.

According to the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) (Ventilation Standard 62- 89), a concentration of no more than 9 parts per million (ppm) (0.0009%), of CO is permissible in residential living spaces. In addition, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set an eight-hour work place maximum of 35 ppm. And in flue gas, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the American Gas Association (AGA) have established the maximum allowable concentration of CO at 400 ppm (See charts).

To ensure safe and efficient combustion, it is imperative that all gas burning appliances be inspected and serviced regularly (once a year) if used in normal service conditions).

Formaldehyde, a colorless gas with a pungent odor, is so commonly used today that virtually everyone is likely to be exposed to at least small amounts of it, and a significant number of people are developing symptoms due to exposure to large amounts of formaldehyde in their homes or workplaces. It was an integral component of the urea formaldehyde foam insulation (UFFI) that was installed in more than five hundred thousand homes in the 1970's. (The use of formaldehyde in insulation was banned by the Consumer Product Safety Commission in 1982, but this ruling was overturned by a federal court in 1983.) In addition, it is present in a large variety of consumer products. It is a major part of the resins used as glue in particle board, plywood, and other pressed wood products used extensively in the construction of homes and furniture. Some cosmetics, paper towels, upholstery, permanent press fabrics, carpets, milk, toilet seats, pesticides, and explosives contain it too. Formaldehyde is also present in the exhaust from combustion appliances and in tobacco smoke.

The most common symptoms of excessive formaldehyde exposure are burning eyes, itching, shortness of breath, tightness in the chest, coughing, headaches, nausea, and asthma attacks. Large amounts of the gas have produced cancer in laboratory animals, and government policy assumes that any substance that can cause cancer in animals may also cause it in humans.

People who live in homes that have been "tightened" for maximum energy conservation are most likely to suffer from the effects of formaldehyde gas. The formaldehyde gas seeps from the walls, furniture, carpet, etc. into the air, building up to high levels in the "tightened" home, which can be irritating, particularly to sensitive people.

To minimize your exposure to formaldehyde, ventilate your home - in good weather, open the windows to provide a constant supply of fresh air. Some methods of heat recovery, such as heat recovery ventilators (also known as air-to-air heat exchangers), are available that can ventilate the home while also conserving energy.

You can seal exposed, raw surfaces of particle board and plywood with oil enamel,

FORMALDEHYDE

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varnish, wallpaper, or vinyl floor coverings. If you have UFFI insulation, make certain it is completely sealed in the walls or, as a last resort, have it removed.

Asbestos is a naturally occurring mineral fiber that has been used in more than 3,000 different construction materials and manufactured products. It is commonly found in heating system insulation, decorative spray-on ceiling treatments, vinyl flooring, cement shake siding and a variety of additional materials. Some asbestos-containing materials were still being installed into the late 1980s.

The asbestos content of different materials varies according to the product and how it is used. Among those materials with higher concentrations of asbestos are insulating products on heating systems and the backing on sheet vinyl flooring. However, an uncontrolled disturbance of any asbestos-containing material in any concentration may be dangerous to your health!

Why is it a problem? Breathing asbestos fibers could kill you. When disturbed, asbestos breaks down into fibers up to 1,200 times thinner than a human hair. When inhaled, they become trapped in lung tissues. Medical research tells us that up to 30 years after inhalation, asbestos fibers can cause lung cancer or mesothelioma, a related terminal cancer of the tissue lining the chest cavity.

Because asbestos is a naturally occurring mineral and has been so widely used in manufactured products, including automobile brake linings, it can be found almost everywhere. Trace amounts are in the air we breathe every day. Most of us have asbestos fibers in our lungs.

On the other hand, there's no known safe level of asbestos exposure. That's why medical, environmental health and regulatory organizations stress the need to protect health by minimizing exposure to airborne asbestos fibers. This is particularly true when asbestos fibers accumulate at elevated levels. Elevated levels result from uncontrolled disturbances and removal of asbestos-containing materials.

How do I know if it's asbestos? Don't guess! Look for asbestos markings on the product or track the product back to its manufacturer or supplier. If these approaches don't work, submit a small sample for laboratory analysis. Cost is minimal. Laboratories are listed in the yellow pages under "Asbestos - Consulting and Testing." Ask a laboratory technician to instruct you how to safely take a sample. If you decide not to check for asbestos in a suspected material, you should assume it contains asbestos and treat it accordingly.

INSULATION

Insulation, weatherstripping, dampers, storm windows, insulated glass and set-back thermostats are features that help reduce heat loss and increase the comfort and thermal efficiency of your home. We examine these items and identify approximate R values for insulation. When appropriate, we offer suggestions for upgrading. Our review of insulation is based upon a random sampling of accessible areas and does not constitute a warranty that all such areas are uniformly insulated or are insulated to current standards.

The following items were inspected:

ATTIC INSULATION

The attic is insulated with blown in fiberglass insulation. The approximate R value of this insulation is 30. This provides good resistance to heat transfer.

WALL INSULATION

The walls are insulated with fiberglass batt insulation. The 2x6 walls suggest that it is 6" R-19 fiberglass.

FLOOR INSULATION

The floors are insulated with R-19 fiberglass batts. The floor insulation has been properly installed and is in good condition except where noted below.

Some of the insulation batts were not properly secured and have falling down. The fallen batts should be reinstalled and secured.





DUCT INSULATION

The duct insulation has been properly installed and is performing its intended function.

STRUCTURE

The structural elements of most residential buildings include a foundation, footings, floor, wall, ceiling and roof framing. The visible portions of these items are examined for proper function, wear, deterioration or signs of non-performance. Some structural components or portions of them are inaccessible because they are buried below grade or hidden behind finished surfaces. Therefore, much of the structural inspection is performed by identifying resultant symptoms of movement, damage and deterioration. Where there are no visible symptoms, components or conditions requiring repair may go undetected and identification will not be possible. We make no representations as to the internal conditions or stabilities of soils, concrete footings and foundations, except as exhibited by their performance.

The following components were inspected:

GENERAL INFORMATION

The foundation is constructed from poured in place concrete. A perimeter foundation wall supports the exterior walls of the building. Interior load bearing components are

supported by pier footings and/or continuous spread footings. The floor structure is constructed out of wood joists. The subflooring is plywood. The stud walls are constructed from 2 X 6 dimensional lumber. The exterior wall sheathing is plywood. The roof structure is constructed out of manufactured trusses. The roof sheathing is plywood

installed over a layer of open sheathing.

FOUNDATION The foundation is constructed in a manner typical of buildings of this type and age. There

are minor shrinkage cracks in the foundation. Shrinkage cracks are common in poured concrete foundation walls. They do not affect the performance of the foundation. No

action is indicated.

MUDSILL The mudsill is typically a 2x4 or 2x6 member that is laid flat directly on the top of or cast

into the top of the foundation wall. The mudsill is usually bolted to the foundation wall and serves as a base for the rest of the floor framing. Most of the mudsill is inaccessible and cannot be evaluated. The visible portions of the mudsill are properly installed and

are performing their intended function.

ANCHOR BOLTS Anchor bolts are bolts that are cast into the top of the concrete foundation and retain the

mudsill. The anchor bolts primary function, is to prevent the building from being displaced from its foundation during an earthquake. Anchor bolts have grown in diameter over the years as have the nuts and washers that retain the mudsill. Generally speaking, the newer the building, the better resistance it will have to seismic activity. Anchor bolts

are installed and are performing their intended function.

BEAMS AND POSTS The beams and posts are properly installed and are performing their intended function.

FLOOR JOISTS The visible portions of the floor joists are properly installed and are performing their

intended function.

SUBFLOORING The subfloor was covered with insulation and finished surfaces and was not visible for

inspection. There was no evidence present suggesting that defects or deficiencies are

present.

WALLS The walls are covered with finished surfaces and therefore were not visible for

inspection. No evidence of defects or deficiencies was observed.

ROOF STRUCTURE The roof structure is constructed from factory-built, engineered trusses. The trusses are

installed in a manner consistent with buildings of this type and are performing their

intended function. No defects or deficiencies were observed.

ROOF SHEATHING The roof sheathing is installed in a manner consistent with buildings of this type and is

performing its intended function. No defects or deficiencies were observed.

CRAWLSPACE

The crawl space is where some of the building's structural elements and portions of its mechanical systems are located. These include foundation, structural framing, electrical, plumbing and heating. The visible portions of accessible systems and components are examined for proper function, excessive or unusual wear and general state of repair. Some items observed in the crawlspace will be discussed under the individual systems to which they belong. It is not unusual to find occasional moisture and dampness in crawl spaces. However, significant and/or frequent water accumulation can adversely affect the building foundation and support system and creates conditions conducive to various types of wood destroying organisms. We check for signs of excessive moisture and water entry. Unfortunately, water entry is often seasonal and therefore evidence may not be present at the time of the inspection.

The following components were inspected:

CRAWLSPACE ACCESS

MOISTURE

VENTILATION

VAPOR RETARDER

The crawlspace access is located outside at the rear of the building. The crawlspace was entered and all accessible areas were inspected.

The soil was damp under the vapor barrier, however, no evidence of water intrusion or standing water problems was observed.

The crawlspace is adequately ventilated. Vents should be kept unobstructed and clear of leaves and other organic debris. Screens should be maintained to prevent rodent entry.

The soil under the house is covered with a polyethylene plastic vapor retarder. This component is typically referred to as a "vapor barrier". While not a true vapor barrier, it does reduce the transmission of water vapor from the soil to the air. The vapor retarder is improperly installed. (see below)

The foundation walls are covered with the plastic vapor retarder. This allows the transmission of water vapor from the soil up and into the exterior wall framing. The plastic vapor retarder should be removed from the foundation.

The support post concrete piers are covered with the plastic vapor retarder. This allows the transmission of water vapor from the soil up and into the floor framing. The plastic vapor retarder should be removed from the piers.





PEST CONTROL

There is evidence of rodent activity in the crawlspace. The first step in eliminating rodents from the crawlspace is to seal all possible entry points using wire mesh, caulking, wood, stainless steel wool, aerosol foam or mortar. Careful work sealing cracks, holes, gaps, and covering ground water drain inlets will discourage rodent activity. Once this work is completed, snap traps baited with peanut butter should be installed and monitored. The absence of rodents in the traps typically means that the rodents have been excluded from the area.