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SUMMARY ROOFING EXTERIOR STRUCTURE ELECTRICAL HEATING COOLING INSULATION PLUMBING INTERIOR

APPLIANCES SITE INFO APPENDIX

This Summary outlines potentially significant issues from a cost or safety standpoint. This section is provided as a courtesy and cannot be considered a substitute for reading the entire report. Please read the complete document.

## Exterior

## WALLS \ Trim Condition: • Rot

Rot was noted at the top trim of the chimney.

Location: Chimney chase

Task: Repair

#### WALLS \ Plywood, hardboard, and OSB

Condition: • Swelling

Wood composition siding, manufactured by Louisiana, is installed on the home. Swelling, a known defect, was noted in multiple areas. Good paint coverage will help prolong the useful life.

Location: Various

**Task**: Further evaluation by qualified contractor/personnel

#### **EXTERIOR GLASS \ Frames**

**Condition:** • Due to the amount of rot found, complete evaluation of all windows/doors by a qualified contractor for additional rot and proper repair is needed. Hidden damage may be present.

Condition: • Rot

Rot was noted at the following windows: west window southwest bedroom, dining room, northwest great room and transom above, northwest sunroom, lower front staircase, and back hall.

**Location**: Multiple Locations

Task: Repair

## **DOORS \ Doors and frames**

Condition: • Rot

Location: Kitchen Nook Slider

Task: Repair

## Electrical

#### **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Switches**

Condition: • Damage

The dimmer switch is damaged.

Location: Half Bathroom

Task: Replace

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## **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Outlets (receptacles)**

Condition: • GFI test faulty Location: Lower Level Patio

Task: Repair

Condition: • Ground Fault Interrupter (GFI) needed

Location: Unfinished Basement

Task: Provide

## **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Cover plates**

Condition: • Missing

The weather proof cover is missing from the outlet.

Location: Lakefront deck

Task: Provide

## Heating

#### **GAS FURNACE \ Combustion air**

Condition: • Inadequate combustion air

One six inch round combustion air inlet was noted in the closet. This does not meet the combustion air requirement for the furnace.

Location: Second Floor

Task: Provide

Condition: • Inadequate combustion air

When the furnace room door is closed, additional combustion air makeup is needed for the combined BTU rating of the furnace and water heater.

Location: Basement

Task: Improve

## **GAS FURNACE \ House air fan (blower)**

Condition: • Unbalanced or vibration

Location: Basement Furnace

Task: Service

## **GAS FURNACE \ Venting system**

**Condition:** • Evidence of condensate leakage was noted at the flue pipe.

Location: Basement Furnace

**Task**: Further evaluation by qualified contractor/personnel

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## Cooling & Heat Pump

## **AIR CONDITIONING \ Compressor**

Condition: • Inadequate cooling

Less than the minimum cooling was noted during testing.

Location: Second Floor A/C

Task: Service

#### AIR CONDITIONING \ Air cooled condenser coil

Condition: • Dirty

Both A/C compressor units are dirty and need to be cleaned for optimal operation.

Location: Air Conditioner

Task: Clean

## Plumbing

#### **WASTE PLUMBING \ Traps - installation**

**Condition:** • An unused and uncapped drain trap was noted at the ejector pit vent. A sewer gas odor was noted after operation of the ejector pump. The trap should be sealed until needed.

Location: Basement Furnace Room

Task: Correct

#### FIXTURES AND FAUCETS \ Shower stall

**Condition:** • Efflorescence was noted at the floor tiles. This is indicative of leakage under the tiles. Loose, cracked grout was noted at the base tiles, and cracks were noted at the corners of the wall to base tiles.

**Location**: Master Bathroom

**Task**: Further evaluation by qualified contractor/personnel

This concludes the Summary section.

The remainder of the report describes each of the home's systems and also details any recommendations we have for improvements. Limitations that restricted our inspection are included as well.

The suggested time frames for completing recommendations are based on the limited information available during a pre-purchase home inspection. These may have to be adjusted based on the findings of specialists.

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## Description

## Sloped roofing material:

Asphalt shingles

Hip style design, multiple levels with dimensional shingles. Rubber and aluminum flashings.





## Inspection Methods and Limitations

Inspection performed: • By walking on roof

## **Observations and Recommendations**

## **RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview**

1. **Condition:** • No roofing recommendations are offered as a result of this inspection.

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## Description

Gutter & downspout material: • Aluminum

Gutter & downspout discharge: • Above grade

Lot slope: • Away from house

Wall surfaces - wood: • Hardboard, plywood or OSB

Wall surfaces - masonry: • Brick

Soffit and fascia: • Wood

Retaining wall: • Wood • Masonry

**Driveway:** • Asphalt

Walkway: • Concrete • Pressure-treated wood

Deck: • Raised • Pressure-treated wood

Porch: • Concrete

Exterior steps: • Concrete • Pressure-treated wood

Patio: • Concrete • Pavers

## **Inspection Methods and Limitations**

Exterior inspected from: • Ground level

## Observations and Recommendations

## WALLS \ Trim

2. Condition: • Rot

Rot was noted at the top trim of the chimney.

Location: Chimney chase

Task: Repair



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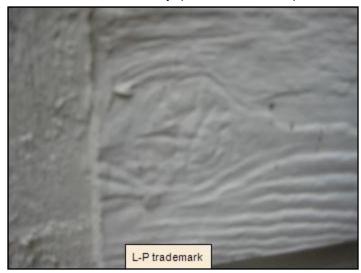
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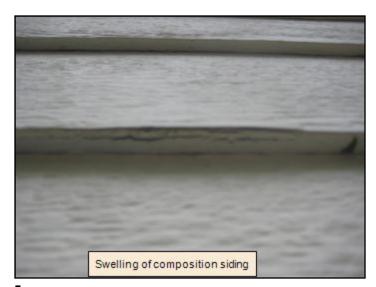
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Location: Various

Task: Further evaluation by qualified contractor/personnel





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## WALLS \ Brick, stone and concrete

4. Condition: • Missing, ineffective weep holes or flashings

Location: Throughout Exterior Wall

Task: Monitor

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#### **EXTERIOR GLASS \ Frames**

**5. Condition:** • Due to the amount of rot found, complete evaluation of all windows/doors by a qualified contractor for additional rot and proper repair is needed. Hidden damage may be present.

## 6. Condition: • Rot

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**Location**: Multiple Locations

Task: Repair





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7. Condition: • Insect damage

Carpenter ants were noted at the window frame.

**Location**: Rear Hall **Task**: Treatment

## **DOORS \ Doors and frames**

8. Condition: • Rot

Location: Kitchen Nook Slider

Task: Repair

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## PORCHES, DECKS, STEPS, PATIOS AND BALCONIES \ Handrails and guards

**9. Condition:** • There is no graspable portion of handrail at the deck steps. This is improper.

Location: Deck Task: Provide

10. Condition: • Spindles climbable

Location: Walkway to Lake

Task: Improve



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## Description

## Configuration:

- Basement
- Crawl space





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Foundation material: • Poured concrete

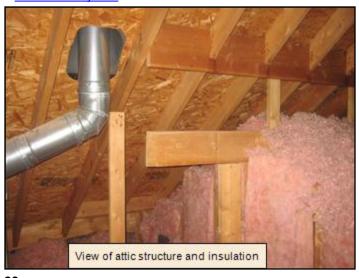
Floor construction: • Cast concrete beam

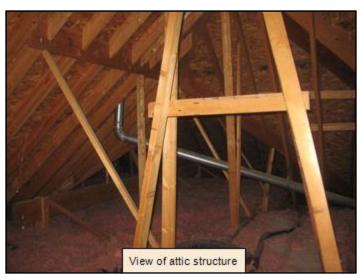
 $\textbf{Floor construction:} \ \ \bullet \underline{\textbf{Joists}} \ \ \bullet \ \\ \textbf{Subfloor - OSB (Oriented Strand Board)}$ 

Exterior wall construction: • Wood frame • Wood frame, brick veneer

## Roof and ceiling framing:

Rafters/roof joists





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· OSB (Oriented Strand Board) sheathing

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## Inspection Methods and Limitations

Inspection limited/prevented by: • Wall, floor and ceiling coverings

Percent of foundation not visible: • 75 %

## Observations and Recommendations

## **RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview**

**11. Condition:** • No structure recommendations are offered as a result of this inspection.

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Service entrance cable and location: • Underground copper

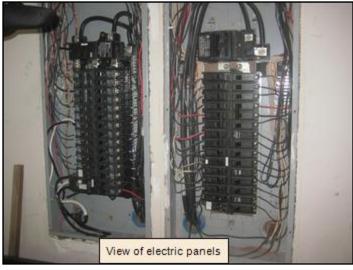
Service size: • 400 Amps (240 Volts)

Main disconnect/service box rating: • 200 Amps • 200 Amps

Main disconnect/service box type and location:

• Breakers - garage

• Breakers - garage



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Number of circuits installed: • 64

System grounding material and type: • Copper - water pipe and ground rod

Auxiliary panel (subpanel) rating: • 60 Amps

Auxiliary panel (subpanel) type and location:

• Breakers - exterior wall

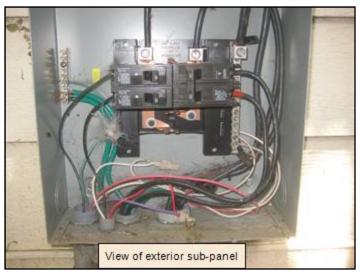
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Distribution wire material and type: • Copper - non-metallic sheathed

Type and number of outlets (receptacles): • Grounded - typical

Circuit interrupters: Ground Fault (GFCI) & Arc Fault (AFCI): • GFCI - bathroom • GFCI - outside • GFCI - whirlpool

• GFCI - garage • GFCI - kitchen

Smoke detectors: • Present

## Observations and Recommendations

## SERVICE BOX, GROUNDING AND PANEL \ Service box - fuse, breaker, wire

**12. Condition:** • Wires enter the panel without use of connectors to secure them.

**Location**: Electrical Panel

Task: Improve



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#### **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Switches**

**13. Condition:** • <u>Damage</u>
The dimmer switch is damaged. **Location**: Half Bathroom

Task: Replace

## **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Outlets (receptacles)**

**14. Condition:** • GFI test faulty **Location**: Lower Level Patio

Task: Repair

15. Condition: • Ground Fault Interrupter (GFI) needed

Location: Unfinished Basement

Task: Provide

## **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Cover plates**

16. Condition: • Missing

The weather proof cover is missing from the outlet.

Location: Lakefront deck

Task: Provide

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## Description

Fuel/energy source: • Gas

System type: • Furnace • Furnace

Furnace manufacturer: • Trane • Trane

Heat distribution: • Direct drive blower • Galvanized • Flexible duct • Fiberglass • Heat source in each room. • Dispo

sable filter

Heat distribution: • <u>Ducts and registers</u>

Approximate capacity: • 140,000 BTU/hr

Efficiency: • Mid-efficiency

Approximate age: • 13 years • 14 years

**Typical life expectancy:** • Furnace (conventional or mid-efficiency) 18 to 25 years

#### Fireplace:

Wood-burning fireplace

There are three fireplaces in the home, two are wood burning with gas logs and one is a seal gas fireplace.

- Gas fireplace
- Gas logs
- Zero clearance
- Factory-built

Chimney/vent: • Induced draft • Galvanized flue pipe

Chimney liner: • Metal

**Combustion air source:** • Interior of home • Outside

**Humidifiers:** • Duct mounted bypass humidifer

## Inspection Methods and Limitations

Warm weather: • Prevents testing heating effectiveness

## Observations and Recommendations

#### **GAS FURNACE \ Combustion air**

17. Condition: • Inadequate combustion air

One six inch round combustion air inlet was noted in the closet. This does not meet the combustion air requirement for the furnace.

Location: Second Floor

Task: Provide

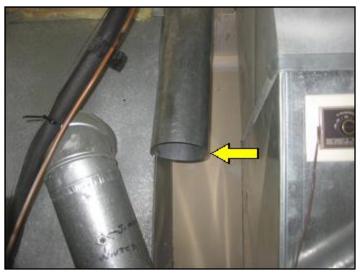
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## 18. Condition: • Inadequate combustion air

When the furnace room door is closed, additional combustion air makeup is needed for the combined BTU rating of the furnace and water heater.

Location: Basement Task: Improve

## **GAS FURNACE \ House air fan (blower)**

19. Condition: • Unbalanced or vibration

Location: Basement Furnace

Task: Service

## **GAS FURNACE \ Venting system**

20. Condition: • Evidence of condensate leakage was noted at the flue pipe.

Location: Basement Furnace

Task: Further evaluation by qualified contractor/personnel





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## **GAS FURNACE \ Humidifier**

21. Condition: • Inoperative motor or solenoid valve

There was no water flow past the solenoid valve at time of inspection.

Location: Second Floor Furnace

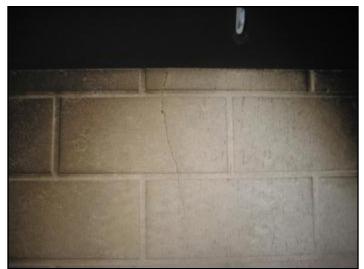
Task: Service

## **FIREPLACE \ General**

**22. Condition:** • A crack was noted at the rear panel and the hearth grate is deteriorated.

Location: Great Room Fireplace

Task: Monitor





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## COOLING & HEAT PUMP

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## Description

Air conditioning type: • Electric compressor

Air conditioning type: • Air cooled • Air cooled

Manufacturer: • Trane • Trane

Cooling capacity: • 30,000 BTU/hr • 60,000 BTU/hr

Compressor approximate age: • 13 years

Typical life expectancy: • 12 to 15 years

Failure probability: • Medium

#### Temperature difference:

• 13°

Second floor unit

• 23°

Main level unit.

Acceptable temperature difference: 14° to 22°

## Observations and Recommendations

## **AIR CONDITIONING \ Compressor**

23. Condition: • Inadequate cooling

Less than the minimum cooling was noted during testing.

Location: Second Floor A/C

Task: Service

## **AIR CONDITIONING \ Air cooled condenser coil**

24. Condition: • Dirty

Both A/C compressor units are dirty and need to be cleaned for optimal operation.

Location: Air Conditioner

Task: Clean





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## INSULATION AND VENTILATION

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## Description

Attic/roof insulation material: • Glass fiber

Attic/roof insulation amount/value: • R-32 Attic/roof ventilation: • Roof vent • Soffit vent

Foundation wall insulation material:

Glass fiber



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Foundation wall insulation amount/value: • R-12

Air/vapor barrier: • Plastic

## **Inspection Methods and Limitations**

Inspection prevented by no access to: • Wall space

## Observations and Recommendations

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview**

25. Condition: • No insulation recommendations are offered as a result of this inspection.

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## Description

Water supply source: • Public

Supply piping in house: • Copper

Main water shut off valve at the: • Basement

Water flow (pressure): • Water pressure of 70-80 psi was noted at time of inspection.

Water heater fuel/energy source: • Gas

Water heater type: • Conventional

Water heater manufacturer: • A.O. Smith

Tank capacity: • 75 gallons

Water heater approximate age: • 13 years

Typical life expectancy: • 8 to 12 years

Waste disposal system: • Public

Waste piping in house: • PVC plastic

Pumps: • Solid waste pump (ejector pump) • Sump pump

Floor drain location: • Near heating system

Gas piping: • Steel

## Inspection Methods and Limitations

Fixtures not tested/not in service: • Hot tub

Items excluded from a home inspection: • Water treatment equipment

## Observations and Recommendations

## **WATER HEATER \ Life expectancy**

26. Condition: • Old

An audible gurgling noise was noted during burner operation, and the thermostat was set close to the highest temperature. This is likely due to sediment build-up.

Location: Water Heater

Task: Monitor

#### WATER HEATER - GAS BURNER AND VENTING \ Combustion air

27. Condition: • Inadequate combustion air

Location: Basement Furnace Room

Task: Improve

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## WATER HEATER - GAS BURNER AND VENTING \ Gas burners

28. Condition: • Scorching

Evidence of prior combustion spillage of combustion gas was noted at the burner access. This is likely due to lack of combustion air makeup in the room.

Location: Water Heater

Task: Monitor



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## **WASTE PLUMBING \ Traps - installation**

**29. Condition:** • An unused and uncapped drain trap was noted at the ejector pit vent. A sewer gas odor was noted after operation of the ejector pump. The trap should be sealed until needed.

Location: Basement Furnace Room

Task: Correct



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## **WASTE PLUMBING \ Sump pump**

30. Condition: • The pit and pump were inaccessible due to storage on top of pit.

Location: Sump pump



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#### **FIXTURES AND FAUCETS \ Bathtub**

31. Condition: • Drain stop missing

Location: Hallway Bathroom

Task: Provide

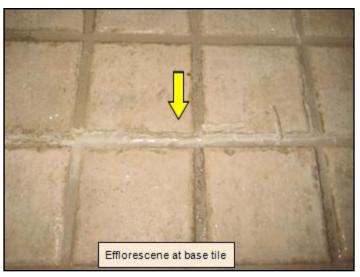
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**Location**: Master Bathroom

**Task**: Further evaluation by qualified contractor/personnel





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## Description

Major floor finishes: • Carpet • Hardwood • Ceramic

Major wall finishes: • Plaster/drywall

Major ceiling finishes: • Plaster/drywall

Windows: • Single/double hung • Casement • Wood

Glazing: • Double

Exterior doors - type/material: • Hinged • Sliding glass • Wood • Metal-clad

Doors: • Inspected

Laundry facilities: • Laundry tub • Hot/cold water supply • Vented to outside • 120-Volt outlet • 240-Volt outlet • Wast

e standpipe

Stairs and railings: • Inspected

## **Inspection Methods and Limitations**

Inspection limited/prevented by: • Carpet • Storage/furnishings • Storage in closets/cupboards

## Observations and Recommendations

#### **FLOORS \ Carpet on floors**

**33. Condition:** • The carpet is loose in areas of the basement. Re-stretching is recommended prior to occupancy.

**Location**: Basement **Task**: Improve

#### WALLS \ Plaster or drywall

**34. Condition:** • Stains and previous touch-up were noted at the wall above the sliding door. This tested dry at time of inspection.

Location: Southwest Sunroom

Task: Monitor

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## **WINDOWS \ Hardware**

**35. Condition:** • Knobs are incomplete at a few crank handles and the crank cover is missing at the northwest master bedroom window.

Location: Various

## WINDOWS \ Storms and screens

36. Condition: • The screen frame is bent.

Location: Southwest Bedroom

Task: Repair

## **DOORS \ Doors and frames**

37. Condition: • Loose or poor fit

The laundry pocket door binds on the floor and is difficult to operate.

Location: Laundry Area

Task: Improve

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## Description

Cooktop: • Jenn-Air

Cooktop: • Ceramic glass with electric elements

Exhaust fan: • Not labeled

Oven: • Jenn-Air

Oven: • Conventional • Wall oven • Wall oven

Refrigerator: • Jenn-Air

Dishwasher: • Maytag

Microwave oven: • Jenn-Air

Waste disposal: • In-Sink-Erator
Waste disposal: • Continuous feed
Kitchen counter material: • Quartz

## Inspection Methods and Limitations

**General:** • Appliances are tested for basic operation only. • Self-cleaning features of oven not tested.

## Observations and Recommendations

## **WASTE DISPOSAL \ General**

**38. Condition:** • Near end of life expectancy

Rusting was noted at the housing.

**Location**: Disposal **Task**: Monitor



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## **COUNTERS/CABINETS \ Cabinets**

**39. Condition:** • The tambour door does not open to full open at the corner cabinet.

**Location**: Kitchen **Task**: Improve

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## Description

**General:** • The property faces a generally east direction.

Thermostat Setting on Arrival - Heat: • Off

Thermostat Setting on Arrival - Cool: • 65 degrees second floor

**Thermostat Setting on Arrival - Cool:** 

• 70

Main level

Fan Setting on Arrival: • Auto

Thermostat Setting Left at - Heat: • Off

Thermostat Setting Left at - Cool: • 65 degrees

Thermostat Setting Left at - Cool: • 70

Fan Setting Left at: • Auto

Number of GFIs: • 11

GFIs Reset?: • Yes

Oven Range Left: • Off

Lights Left: • Off

Number of Exterior Doors: • 4

Lock Box Closed and Locked?: • Yes

**Weather:** • Overcast • There was rain the day before the inspection.

Approximate temperature: • 76°

Attendees: • Buyer • Buyer's Agent

Access to home provided by: • Lockbox

Occupancy: • There was no one home during the inspection. • The home was furnished during the inspection.

**Utilities:** • All utilities were on during the inspection.

Approximate inspection start and end time: • The inspection started at 2:00 p.m.

**Approximate age of home:** • 13 year

Building type: • Detached home

Number of stories: • Two

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Garage, carport and outbuildings: • Attached three-car garage

**END OF REPORT** 

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Wood Destroying Insect Inspection Report Notice	e: Please read important cor	sumer informa	tion on page 2.				
Section I. General Information Inspection Company, Address & Phone	Company's Business Lic. I B16863	No.	Date of Inspection 6/15/2011				
Security Home Inspections, Inc 13277 Illinois St Carmel, IN 46032 (317) 848-1744	Address of Property Inspected  123 Anywhere Street Indianapolis, IN 46236						
Inspector's Name, Signature & Certification, Registration, or Lic. #		Structure(s) In	spected				
Kieth Filipow F205882		House and Attached Garage Only					
<b>Section II. Inspection Findings</b> This report is indicative of the condition of the guarantee or warranty against latent, concealed, or future infestations or defects. <b>Base inspected:</b>							
<ul> <li>□ A. No visible evidence of wood destroying insects was observed.</li> <li>□ B. Visible evidence of wood destroying insects was observed as follows:</li> <li>□ 1. Live insects (description and location):</li> </ul>	at back hall window.						
2. Dead insects, insect parts, frass, shelter tubes, exit holes, or staining (o	description and location):						
3. Visible damage from wood destroying insects was noted as follows (description and location):  Carpenter ants and rot noted at back hall window.							
Yes No It appears that the structure(s) or a portion thereof may  The inspecting company can give no assurances with regard to work done by other on treatment and any warranty or service agreement which may be in place.  Section III. Recommendations  No treatment recommended: (Explain if Box B in Section II is checked)							
Recommend treatment for the control of:							
Section IV. Obstructions and Inaccessible Areas The following areas of the structure(s) inspected were obstructed or inaccessible:    Basement 1,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,12 (slab) & 24			The inspector may write out obstructions or use the following optional key:  1. Fixed ceiling 13. Only visual access				
Crawlspace 4.5 & 24  Main Level 1.3.4.6.7.8.9 & 12 (sun room frame over deck with sof		Suspended ceiling     S. Fixed wall covering     S. Fixed wall covering     S. Fixed wall covering     S. Fixed wall covering     S. Insulation     S. Insulation     S. Insulation     S. Sixed items     S. Fixed wall covers     S. Sonow     S. Sonow					
Garage							
Section V. Additional Comments and Attachments (these are an integral part of the report)							
Attachments							
<b>Signature of Seller(s)</b> or Owner(s) if refinancing. Seller acknowledges that all information regarding W.D.I. infestation, damage, repair, and treatment history has been disclosed to the buyer.		<b>Signature of Buyer.</b> The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of both page 1 and page 2 of this report and understands the information reported.					
X	X						

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# Important Consumer Information Regarding the Scope and Limitations of the Inspection

Please read this entire page as it is part of this report. This report is not a guarantee or warranty as to the absence of wood destroying insects nor is it a structural integrity report. The inspector's training and experience do not qualify the inspector in damage evaluation or any other building construction technology and/or repair.

- 1. About the Inspection: A visual inspection was conducted in the readily accessible areas of the structure(s) indicated (see Page 1) including attics and crawlspaces which permitted entry during the inspection. The inspection included probing and/or sounding of unobstructed and accessible areas to determine the presence or absence of visual evidence of wood destroying insects. The WDI inspection firm is not responsible to repair any damage or treat any infestation at the structure(s) inspected, except as may be provided by separate contract. Also, wood destroying insect infestation and/or damage may exist in concealed or inaccessible areas. The inspection firm cannot guarantee that any wood destroying insect infestation and/or damage disclosed by this inspection represents all of the wood destroying insect infestation and/or damage which may exist as of the date of the inspection. For purposes of this inspection, wood destroying insects include: termites, carpenter ants, carpenter bees, and reinfesting wood boring beetles. This inspection does not include mold, mildew or noninsect wood destroying organisms. This report shall be considered invalid for purposes of securing a mortgage and/or settlement of property transfer if not used within ninety (90) days from the date of inspection. This shall not be construed as a 90-day warranty. There is no warranty, express or implied, related to this report unless disclosed as required by state regulations or a written warranty or service agreement is attached.
- 2. Treatment Recommendation Guidelines Regarding Subterranean Termites: FHA and VA require treatment when any active infestation of subterranean termites is found. If signs of subterranean termites but no activity are found in a structure that shows no evidence of having been treated for subterranean termites in the past, then a treatment should be recommended. A treatment may also be recommended for a previously treated structure showing evidence of subterranean termites but no activity if there is no documentation of a liquid treatment by a licensed pest control company within the previous five years unless the structure is presently under warranty or covered by a service agreement with a licensed pest control company.
- 3. Obstructions and Inaccessible Areas: No inspection was made in areas which required the breaking apart or into, dismantling, removal of any object, including but not limited to: moldings, floor coverings, wall coverings, siding, fixed ceilings, insulation, furniture, appliances, and/or personal possessions; nor were areas inspected which were obstructed or inaccessible for physical access on the date of inspection. Your inspector may write out inaccessible areas or use the key in Section IV. Crawl spaces, attics, and/or other areas may be deemed inaccessible if the opening to the area is not large enough to provide physical access for the inspector or if a ladder was required for access. Crawl spaces (or portions thereof) may also be deemed inaccessible if there is less than 24 inches of clearance from the bottom of the floor joists to the surface below. If any area which has been reported as inaccessible is made accessible, the inspection company may be contacted for another inspection. An additional fee may apply.
- 4. Consumer Maintenance Advisory Regarding Integrated Pest Management for Prevention of Wood Destroying Insects. Any structure can be attacked by wood destroying insects. Homeowners should be aware of and try to eliminate conditions which promote insect infestation in and around their structure(s). Factors which may lead to wood destroying insect infestation include: earth to wood contact, foam insulation at foundation in contact with soil, faulty grade, improper drainage, firewood against structure(s), insufficient ventilation, moisture, wood debris in crawlspace, wood mulch or ground cover in contact with the structure, tree branches touching structure(s), landscape timbers and wood decay. Should these or other conditions exist, corrective measures should be taken in order to reduce the chances of infestation of wood destroying insects and the need for treatment.
- Neither the inspecting company nor the inspector has had, presently has, or contemplates having any interest in the property inspected.

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