

# 2015

## 1368 Finn Ave



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<b>Date:</b> 8/3/2015	<b>Time:</b> 2:00 PM	Report ID: AX15080314JAP
<b>Property:</b> 1368 Finn Ave Lone Tree, CO 80124	<b>Customer:</b> Debbie Bailey	Real Estate Professional: None

#### **Purpose and Scope:**

The inspection is supplemental to the Property Disclosure. It is the responsibility of the Client to obtain any and all disclosure forms relative to this real estate transaction.

This document was prepared as a report of all visual defects noted at the time and date of the inspection. It is not necessarily an all-inclusive summary, as additional testing or inspection information/processes and analysis may be pending. It is subject to all terms and conditions specified in the Inspection Agreement.

It should be noted that a standard pre-purchase inspection is a visual assessment of the condition of the property at the time of inspection. The inspection and inspection report are offered as an opinion only, of items observed on the day of the inspection. Although every reasonable effort is made to discover and correctly interpret indications of previous or ongoing defects that may be present, it must be understood that no guarantee is expressed nor implied nor responsibility assumed by the inspector or inspection company, for the actual condition of the building or property being examined.

This firm endeavors to perform all inspections in substantial compliance with the inspection standards of practice of the National Association of Certified Home Inspectors (NACHI). The scope of the inspection is outlined in the Inspection Agreement, agreed to and signed by the Client. Our inspectors inspect the readily accessible and installed components and systems of a property as follows: This report contains observations of those systems and components that are, in the professional opinion of the inspector authoring this report, significantly deficient or are near the end of their expected service life. If the cause for the deficiency is not readily apparent, the suspected cause or reason why the system or component is at or near end of expected service life is reported, and recommendations for correction or monitoring may be made as appropriate. When systems or components designated for inspection in the NACHI Standards are present but are not inspected, the reason the item was not inspected may be reported as well.

This report summarizes the verbal briefing delivered at the conclusion of our inspection conducted at the above address.

#### RADON TESTING

The U.S. Surgeon General recommends radon testing in all homes. The inspector advises all clients that the subject property may be subject to contamination by radon, a cancer-causing, colorless, odorless, radioactive gas. Radon is listed by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as being the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers, the second leading cause of lung

cancer in America, and claims about 20,000 lives annually, or about 58 radon-induced lung cancer deaths per day. For smokers, the risk of lung cancer is significant due to the synergistic effects of radon and smoking. Radon decay products may modify, damage or destroy cells or DNA in human lungs.

For more information, visit www.epa.gov/radon, and our web site www.axiuminspections.com.

## Axium Inspections offers radon gas testing as an ancillary inspection, and recommends radon testing on all homes.

If the client chooses not to have radon testing performed, then in doing so the client agrees to hold the inspector, its agents, and employees harmless and free from all liability and legal action relating to any presence of radon at the subject property, regardless of the legal theory upon which any such claim rests.

#### **EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

The client should understand that this is the assessment of an inspector, not a professional engineer, and that, despite all efforts, there is no way we can provide any guaranty that the foundation, structure, and structural elements of the unit, are sound. We suggest that if the client is at all uncomfortable with this condition or our assessment, a professional engineer be consulted to independently evaluate the condition, prior to making a final purchase decision.

This inspection is limited to the structure, exterior, landscape, roof, plumbing, electrical, heating, foundation, bathrooms, kitchen, bedrooms, hallway, and attic sections of the house as requested, where sections are clearly accessible, and where components are clearly visible. Inspection of these components is limited, and is also affected by the conditions apparent at the time of the inspection, and which may, in the sole opinion of the inspector, be hazardous to examine for reasons of personal safety.

This inspection will exclude insulation, hazardous materials, retaining walls, hidden defects, buried tanks of any type, areas not accessible or viewable, and all items as described in Section 4 of the Inspection Agreement. As all buildings contain some level of mold, inspecting for the presence of mold on surfaces, hidden locations, and in the air is not the responsibility of the inspector. Should the Client feel the need to perform testing and evaluation for the presence or absence of molds, Inspector recommends contacting a certified industrial hygienist or qualified laboratory testing service for these activities.

The following items are also excluded from the scope of the inspection, and deviations to the NACHI and ASTM standards are hereby noted:

Inspecting for the presence of wood destroying insects (WDI), testing for the presence of radon gas, building code violations of any type, document reviews, survey, ADA or accessibility reviews of any type whatsoever, dost estimates of any type, remaining useful life, estimated useful life, insulation, life/safety equipment and issues.

The NACHI Standards of Practice, are applicable to all residential properties. They are the bare minimum standard for a residential inspection, are not technically exhaustive and do not identify concealed conditions or latent defects. Inspectors are NOT required to determine the condition of any system or component that is not readily accessible; the remaining service life of any system or

component; determination of correct sizing of any system or component; the strength, adequacy, effectiveness or efficiency of any system or component; causes of any condition or deficiency; methods materials or cost of corrections; future conditions including but not limited to failure of systems and components; the suitability of the property for any specialized use; compliance with regulatory codes, regulations, laws or ordinances; the market value of the property or its marketability; the advisability of the purchase of the property; the presence of potentially hazardous plants or animals including but not limited to wood destroying organisms or diseases harmful to humans; mold; mildew; the presence of any environmental hazards including, but not limited to toxins, carcinogens, noise, and contaminants in soil, water or air; the effectiveness of any system installed or methods utilized to control or remove suspected hazardous substances; the operating costs of any systems or components and the acoustical properties of any systems or components.

The inspector is NOT required to operate any system or component that is shut down or otherwise inoperable; any system or component which does not respond to normal operating controls or any shut off valves.

The inspector is NOT required to offer or perform any act or service contrary to law; offer or perform engineering services or work in any trade or professional service.

We DO NOT offer or provide warranties or guarantees of any kind or for any purpose.

The inspector is NOT required to inspect, evaluate, or comment on any and all underground items including, but not limited to, septic or underground storage tanks or other underground indications of their presence, whether abandoned or active; systems or components that are not installed; decorative items; systems or components that are in areas not entered in accordance with the NACHI Standards of Practice; detached structures other than carports or garages; common elements or common areas in multi-unit housing, such as condominium properties or cooperative housing.

The inspector is NOT required to enter into or onto any area or surface, or perform any procedure or operation which will, in the sole opinion of the inspector, likely be dangerous to the inspector or others or damage the property, its systems or components; nor are they required to move suspended ceiling tiles, personal property, furniture, equipment, plants, soil, snow, ice or debris or dismantle any system or component, or venture into confined spaces.

The inspector is NOT required to enter crawlspaces or attics that are not readily accessible nor any area which will, in the sole opinion of the inspector, likely to be dangerous, inaccessible, or partially inaccessible to the inspector or other persons, or where entry could possibly cause damage to the property or its systems or components.

The inspector is not a licensed professional engineer or architect, and does not engage in the unlicensed practice of either discipline. Opinions contained herein are just that.

#### A WORD ABOUT CONTRACTORS AND 20-20 HINDSIGHT

A common source of dissatisfaction with inspectors sometimes comes as a result of off-the cuff comments made by contractors (made after-the-fact), which often differ from ours. Don't be surprised when someone says that something needed to be replaced when we said it needed to be repaired, replaced, upgraded, or monitored. Having something replaced may make more money for

the contractor than just doing a repair. Contractors sometimes say, "I can't believe you had this building inspected and they did not find this problem." There may be several reasons for these apparent over sights:

Conditions during inspection—It is difficult for clients to remember the circumstances in the subject property at the time of the inspection. Clients seldom remember that there was storage everywhere, making things inaccessible, or that the air conditioning could not be turned on because it was less than 65° outside. Contractors do not know what the circumstances were when the inspection was performed.

The wisdom of hindsight—When a problem occurs, it is very easy to have 20/20 hindsight. Anybody can say that the roof is leaking when it is raining outside and the roof is leaking. In the midst of a hot, dry, or windy condition, it is virtually impossible to determine if the roof will leak the next time it rains. Predicting problems is not an exact science and is not part of the inspection process. We are only documenting the condition of the property at the time of the inspection.

A destructive or invasive examination—The inspection process is non-destructive, and is generally non-invasive. It is performed in this manner because, at the time we inspected the subject property, the Client did not own, rent, or lease it. A Client cannot authorize the disassembly or destruction of what does not belong to them. Now, if we spent half an hour under a sink, twisting valves and pulling on piping, or an hour disassembling a furnace, we may indeed find additional problems. Of course, we could possibly CAUSE some problems in the process. Therein lies the quandary. We want to set your expectations as to what an inspection is, and what it not.

We are generalists—We are not acting as specialists in any specific trade. The heating and cooling contractor may indeed have more heating expertise than we do. This is because heating and cooling is all he's expected to know. Inspectors are expected to know heating and cooling, plumbing, electricity, foundations, carpentry, roofing, appliances, etc. That's why we're generalists. We're looking at the forest, not the individual trees.

#### **COMMENT KEY OR DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions of comment descriptions represent this inspection report. All comments by the inspector should be considered before purchasing this home. Any recommendations by the inspector to repair or replace suggests a second opinion or further inspection by a qualified contractor. All costs associated with further inspection fees and repair or replacement of item, component or unit should be considered before you purchase the property.

**Inspected (IN)** = The item, component or unit was visually observed, and, if no other comments were made, then it appeared to be functioning as intended, allowing for normal wear and tear.

**Not Inspected (NI)**= This item, component or unit was not inspected, and no representations of whether or not it was functioning as intended are made.

**Not Present (NP)** = This item, component or unit is not in this home or building.

**Repair or Replace (RR)** = The item, component or unit is not functioning as intended, or needs further inspection by a qualified contractor. Items, components or units that can be repaired to satisfactory condition may not need replacement.

Acceptance or use of this Inspection Report shall constitute acceptance of and agreement to all of the provisions of the Agreement for Inspection Services and its Terms and Conditions which are attached to and form a part of this Inspection Report.

Standards of PracticeIn AttendanceType of BuildingNACHI NationalCustomerSingle FamilyTemperatureWeatherGround Soil Surface Condition80-89ClearDryRadon TestWater TestMold Screen

No

Yes

No

Axium Inspections, LLC

## **General Summary**



1700 Lincoln St STE 3030 Denver, CO 80203 303-831-1202

**Customer** Debbie Bailey

### **Property Address:**

1368 Finn Ave Lone Tree, CO 80124

The following items or discoveries indicate that these systems or components do not function as intended or adversely affects the habitability of the dwelling; or warrants further investigation by a specialist, or requires subsequent observation. This summary shall not contain recommendations for routine upkeep of a system or component to keep it in proper functioning condition or recommendations to upgrade or enhance the function or efficiency of the home. This Summary is not the entire report. The complete report may include additional information of concern to the customer. It is recommended that the customer read the complete report.

#### 17 • Limited Mold Inspection

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#### 17.01 Limited Mold Sampling

#### **Inspected**

17.01.1 • Serial Number: 21572484, 21572950 Location: basement, son's room threshold

Time: 2:40 Temp: 79

17.01.2 • Evidence of possible mold-like substance growth is present on the on the caulking and/or grout at the tile walls of the bathtub or shower. The underlying cause is moisture. Area was dry at the time of the inspection. Mildew has been cleaned but some evidence was still visible on the grout. Grout is damaged and needs repairs or replacement.

A mild spore air test was taken on this level. Results are pending.

- 17.01.3 No visible moisture intrusion was present in the bedroom with the crawlspace access.
- 17.01.4 Both crawlspaces had exposed dirt floors and did not have a proper vapor barrier. The dirt is wet from ground water moisture intrusion. Ventilation of the crawlspace was not present and the humidity levels are higher than normal. Inspector recommends the installation of an active humidistat ventilation system that would operate during times of moisture intrusion of high humidity. Evidence of water pooling in both crawlspaces was present at the time of the inspection. A qualified contractor should evaluate and repair or replace as necessary and according to current standards.
- 17.01.5 Gutters at the front, rear and sides of home were full of debris in areas and need to be cleaned. The debris in gutters can also conceal rust, deterioration or leaks that are not visible until cleaned. This condition may cause problems by introducing excessive amounts of moisture to the soil beneath the foundation. Excessive moisture in soil supporting the foundation can affect its ability to support the weight of the structure above and may cause foundation damage from soil movement. A qualified contractor should evaluate and repair or replace as necessary and according to current standards.

One skylight has thermal seals that are damaged and there is moisture trapped between the pane of glass and may not be thermally efficient.

One evaporative cooler has a disconnected drain line that should be reconnected for proper drainage.

Evaporative cooler at the far right is leaking onto the roof and debris in the filters is moldy and decaying. This mold could be being blown into the home.

17.01.6 • Serial Number: 21572467

Location: main entryway

Time: 2:40 Temp: 85 Wind: calm

- 17.01.7 Ceiling in the master bedroom has signs of previous repairs from previous moisture intrusion. No signs of moisture was present in the attic.
- 17.01.8 In the basement were signs of previous moisture intrusion and staining on the baseboards and walls in several areas. No moisture was present at the time of inspection was present. Moisture signing was present on the ceiling tiles in several areas. The carpet tack strips show signs of moisture intrusion and are deteriorated from moisture in several areas. A mold spore air trap sample was taken from the basement.

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Property inspectors are not required to report on the following: Life expectancy of any component or system; The causes of the need for a repair; The methods, materials, and costs of corrections; The suitability of the property for any specialized use; Compliance or non-compliance with codes, ordinances, statutes, regulatory requirements or restrictions; The market value of the property or its marketability; The advisability or inadvisability of purchase of the property; Any component or system that was not observed; The presence or absence of pests such as wood damaging organisms, rodents, or insects; or Cosmetic items, underground items, or items not permanently installed. Property inspectors are not required to: Offer warranties or guarantees of any kind; Calculate the strength, adequacy, or efficiency of any system or component; Enter any area or perform any procedure that may damage the property or its components or be dangerous to the home inspector or other persons; Operate any system or component that is shut down or otherwise inoperable; Operate any system or component that does not respond to normal operating controls; Disturb insulation, move personal items, panels, furniture, equipment, plant life, soil, snow, ice, or debris that obstructs access or visibility; Determine the presence or absence of any suspected adverse environmental condition or hazardous substance, including but not limited to mold, toxins, carcinogens, noise, contaminants in the building or in soil, water, and air; Determine the effectiveness of any system installed to control or remove suspected hazardous substances; Predict future condition, including but not limited to failure of components; Since this report is provided for the specific benefit of the customer(s), secondary readers of this information should hire a licensed inspector to perform an inspection to meet their specific needs and to obtain current information concerning this property.

#### 17 • Limited Mold Inspection





#### A WORD ABOUT MOLD AND OTHER TOXINS

As stated in the Inspection Agreement, and acknowledged by the Client, the parties agree that all buildings contain some amount of mold, and that the Inspector is held harmless from any claim arising from the presence of any level or species of mold, which may exist in, or on, the structure or property either at the time of the inspection, or identified or discovered anytime thereafter. Mold can occur at any time, and for a variety of reasons, including water penetration or elevated moisture content. It may also remain hidden from view, or return at any time after cleaning if root cause for the mold growth was not identified and corrected. As the inspection is visual only, and therefore noninvasive, it is virtually impossible for Inspector to identify all conditions which could result in mold growth, and is also impossible for Inspector to reasonably identify area of mold growth. The Client further acknowledged and agreed that the Inspector is not responsible for the discovery of toxins of any type, either inside or outside the subject structure and/or property.

The General Home inspection does not include confirmation of the presence of molds of any type. Many types of molds exist to which different people show widely varying levels of sensitivity. Testing for molds requires a specialist inspection. The Inspector recommends that you have specialist testing performed if molds are a concern to you.

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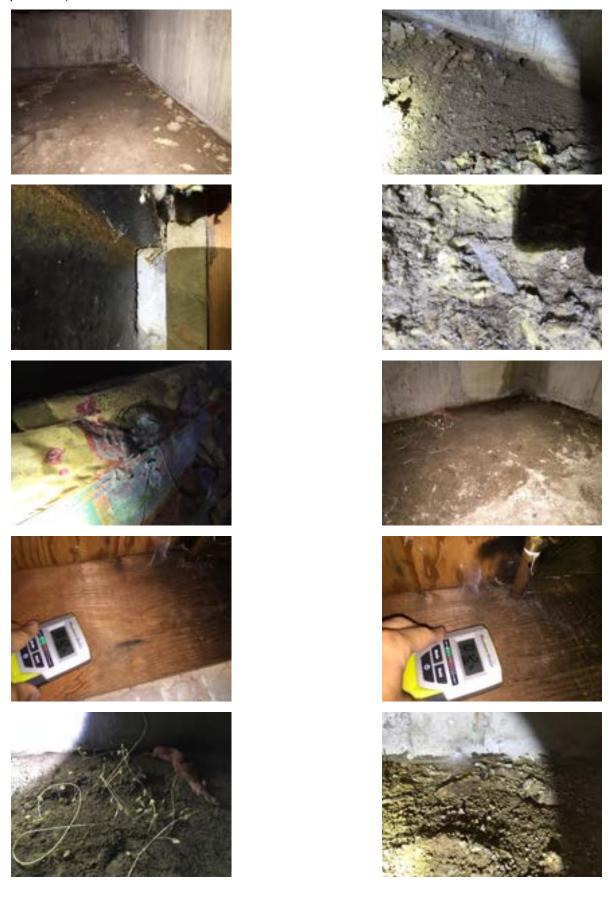








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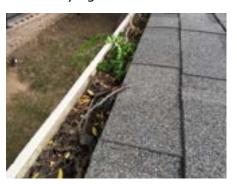


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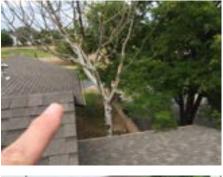
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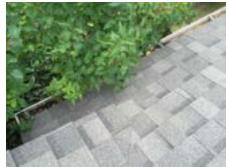


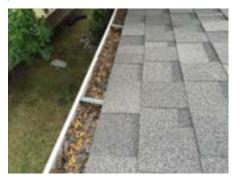












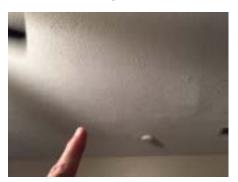
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## **INVOICE**

Axium Inspections, LLC 1700 Lincoln St STE 3030 Denver, CO 80203 303-831-1202

**Inspected By: Jerry Payne** 

Inspection	<b>Date:</b> 8/3/2015		
Report ID: AX15080314JAP			

Customer Info:	Inspection Property
Debbie Bailey	1368 Finn Ave Lone Tree, CO 80124
Customer's Real Estate Professional: none	

Service	Qty	Price	Discount	Ext. Price
Mold Inspection	1	\$295		\$295
Mold Lab Fee	3	\$39		\$117

**Total Price** \$412

Payment Method: Check

Payment Status: Paid

**Note:** 3104



#### AGREEMENT FOR INSPECTION SERVICES

The address of the property is: 1368 Finn Ave, Lone Tree, CO 80124. Fee for the home inspection is \$412.

THIS AGREEMENT made 8/3/2015 by and between Axium Inspections, LLC (hereinafter "INSPECTOR") and the undersigned (hereinafter "CLIENT"), collectively referred to herein as "the parties." The Parties Understand and Voluntarily Agree as follows:

- 1. INSPECTOR agrees to perform a visual inspection of the home/building and to provide CLIENT with a written inspection report identifying the defects that INSPECTOR both observed and deemed material. INSPECTOR may offer comments as a courtesy, but these comments will not comprise the bargained-for report. The report is only supplementary to the seller's disclosure.
- 2. Unless otherwise inconsistent with this Agreement or not possible, INSPECTOR agrees to perform the inspection in accordance to the current Standards of Practice of the International Association of Certified Home Inspectors (http://www.nachi.org/sop.htm). Although INSPECTOR agrees to follow InterNACHI's Standards of Practice, CLIENT understands that these standards contain certain limitations, exceptions, and exclusions. Unless otherwise indicated below, CLIENT understands that INSPECTOR will NOT be testing for the presence of Radon a colorless, odorless, radioactive gas that may be harmful to humans. Unless otherwise indicated below, CLIENT understands that INSPECTOR will NOT be testing for mold. Unless otherwise indicated below, CLIENT understands that INSPECTOR will not test for compliance with applicable building codes or for the presence of potential dangers arising from asbestos, lead paint, formaldehyde, molds, soil contamination, and other environmental hazards or violations.
- 3. The inspection and report are performed and prepared for the use of CLIENT, who gives INSPECTOR permission to discuss observations with real estate agents, owners, repairpersons, and other interested parties. INSPECTOR accepts no responsibility for use or misinterpretation by third parties. INSPECTOR's inspection of the property and the accompanying report are in no way intended to be a guarantee or warranty, express or implied, regarding the future use, operability, habitability or suitability of the home/building or its components. Any and all warranties, express or implied, including warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, are expressly excluded by this Agreement to the fullest extent allowed by law.
- 4. INSPECTOR assumes no liability for the cost of repair or replacement of unreported defects or deficiencies either current or arising in the future. CLIENT acknowledges that the liability of INSPECTOR, its agents, employees, for claims or damages, costs of defense or suit, attorney's fees and expenses and payments arising out of or related to the INSPECTOR's negligence or breach of any obligation under this Agreement, including errors and omissions in the inspection or the report, shall be limited to liquidated damages in an amount equal to the fee paid to the INSPECTOR, and this liability shall be exclusive. CLIENT waives any claim for consequential, exemplary, special or incidental damages or for the loss of the use of the home/building even if the CLIENT has been advised of the possibility of such damages. The parties acknowledge that the liquidated damages are not intended as a penalty but are intended (i) to reflect the fact that actual damages may be difficult and impractical to ascertain; (ii) to allocate risk among the INSPECTOR and CLIENT; and (iii) to enable the INSPECTOR to perform the inspection at the stated fee.
- 5. INSPECTOR does not perform engineering, architectural, plumbing, or any other job function requiring an occupational license in the jurisdiction where the inspection is taking place, unless the inspector holds a valid occupational license, in which case he/she may inform the CLIENT that he/she is so licensed, and is therefore qualified to go beyond this basic home inspection, and for additional fee, perform additional inspections beyond those within the scope of the basic home inspection. Any agreement for such additional inspections shall be in a separate writing.
- 6. In the event of a claim against INSPECTOR, CLIENT agrees to supply INSPECTOR with the following: (1) Written notification of adverse conditions within 48 hours of discovery, and (2) Access to the premises before any repairs are made. Failure to comply with the above conditions will release INSPECTOR and its agents from any and all obligations or liability of any kind.

#### **AGREEMENT FOR INSPECTION SERVICES**

- 7. All of the other terms of the Agreement (Inspection Contract) are incorporated herein by reference.
- 8. The parties agree that any litigation arising out of this Agreement shall be filed only in the Court having jurisdiction in the County in which the INSPECTOR has its principal place of business. In the event that CLIENT fails to prove any adverse claims against INSPECTOR in a court of law, CLIENT agrees to pay all legal costs, expenses and attorney fees of INSPECTOR in defending said claims.
- 9. If any court declares any provision of this Agreement invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will remain in effect. This Agreement represents the entire agreement between the parties. All prior communications are merged into this Agreement, and there are no terms or conditions other than those set forth herein. No statement or promise of INSPECTOR or its agents shall be binding unless reduced to writing and signed by INSPECTOR. No change or modification shall be enforceable against any party unless such change or modification is in writing and signed by the parties. This Agreement shall be binding upon and enforceable by the parties and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assignees. CLIENT shall have no cause of action against INSPECTOR after one year from the date of the inspection.
- 10. Payment of the fee to INSPECTOR (less any deposit noted above) is due upon completion of the on-site inspection. The CLIENT agrees to pay all legal and time expenses incurred in collecting due payments, including attorney's fees, if any. If CLIENT is a corporation, LLC, or similar entity, the person signing this Agreement on behalf of such entity does personally guaranty payment of the fee by the entity.
- 11. If CLIENT requests a re-inspection, the re-inspection is also subject to all the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement.
- 12. This Agreement is not transferable or assignable.

CLIENT HAS CAREFULLY READ THE FOREGOING, AGREES TO IT, AND ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF A COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT