RE: Radon Test Results between 4.0 and 10 pCi/L

Dear Radon Customer:

Our records indicate that you completed a radon test in your home and that those test results came back at a level of equal to or greater than 4.0 pCi/L but less than 10 pCi/L. Whenever a home has a radon level between 4 and 10 pCi/L, it is recommended that a long-term test be conducted to determine what your year round exposure is. The action level of 4.0 pCi/L is based on an annual exposure (365 days) not just 2-3 days. The short-term test tells you what your radon exposure is when your house is closed up. In the summer, many people have the windows open which generally makes indoor radon levels lower. With a closed house level of 10 pCi/L or less, it is possible that your year around average may be less than 4.0 pCi/L. Using a long-term testing device for one year will allow you to determine your annual exposure. If your long-term test results are 4.0 pCi/L or higher, you should take corrective action. The recommended corrective action is to vent the radon out by installing an approved radon mitigation system. It is highly recommended that you have a National Environmental Health Association Certified Mitigator install the system for you. A list of certified mitigators will be provided after a long term test has been done.

Long term test kits are available at the Polk County Health Department for $18.00 or you can have one mailed directly to you for $20.00. Please send a check or money order to the address listed above and be sure to include your contact information.

If you have any questions about radon, please look at the following websites:
www.lowradon.org
www.epa.gov/iaq/radon/pubs/index.html
Or call me at 715/485-8532.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Environmental Health Sanitarian
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