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	Name of P	Person Purcha	asing Insp	pection						
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4C.REPO	Owner/Sel RT FORWA		Title Con	npany or Mortgagee		Purchaser of S	Service 🛛	Seller	Agent	Buyer 🛙
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The struc	ture(s) listed	below were	inspected	d in accordance with t	he official in	spection procedur	es adopted by th	ne Texas Structu	ral Pest Control	Board. This report is ma
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5. <u> </u>		RESIDENCE		· ·	0		Ū			
List struct	ture(s) inspe	cted that may	y include	residence, detached	garages an	d other structures	on the property.	(Refer to Part	A, Scope of Inspe	ection)
				ted or inaccessible? If "Yes" specify in 6B.		Yes 🛛		No [
6B.The o	bstructed or	inaccessible	areas in	clude but are not limit	ed to the fol	lowina:				
Attic				Insulated area of a	_	Plumbing Area	s 🛛	Planter box	abutting structure	e 🗆
Deck				Sub Floors	\boxtimes	Slab Joints		Crawl Space	Ū.	
Soil Grad	e Too High			Heavy Foliage		Eaves	\boxtimes	Weepholes		
Other		I	\boxtimes	Specify:		REFER TO 6A	-6B of ADDEND	UM PAGES AT	TACHED WITH T	HIS REPORT
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7A.Conditions conducive to wood destroying insect infestation: (Refer to Part J, Scope of Inspection) If "Yes" specify in 7B.	Yes	\boxtimes		No				
7B.Conducive Conditions include but are not limited to:								
Wood to Ground Cont	act (G)	\boxtimes	For	mboards left in place	(I) 🗆	Excessive I	Moisture (J)	\boxtimes
Debris under or around structure (K) Footing too low or soil	line too high (L)		Wo	od Rot (M)	\boxtimes	Heavy Folia	age (N)	
Planter box abutting structure (O) U Wood Pile in Contact v	with Structure (Q)			Wooden Fence	in Contact	t with the Strue	cture (R)	
Insufficient ventilation (T) \Box Other (C) \boxtimes Sp	becify: Refer to	7 A &7	B of th	ie addendum for rela	ted information	ation Some c	onducive co	nditions are
common in residential construction. Correction should be considered w	hen at all feasible.	Some	conditi	ons and need for cor	rection may	v be regarded	as subjectiv	<u>'e.</u>
8.Inspection Reveals Visible Evidence in or on the structure:	Active In	festatio	n	Previous	Infestation		Previous Tr	eatment
8A.Subterranean Termites	Yes 🗌	No	\boxtimes	Yes 🛛	No 🗆		Yes 🛛	No 🗆
8B.Drywood Termites	Yes 🗌	No	\boxtimes	Yes 🗆	No 🛛		Yes 🗌	No 🛛
8C.Formosan Termites	Yes 🗌	No	\boxtimes	Yes 🗆	No 🛛		Yes 🗌	No 🛛
8D.Carpenter Ants	Yes 🗌	No	\boxtimes	Yes 🗌	No 🛛		Yes 🗌	No 🛛
8E.Other Wood Destroying Insects	Yes 🗌	No	\boxtimes	Yes 🗌	No 🛛		Yes 🗌	No 🛛
Specify: Not Applicable								
8F.Explanation of signs of previous treatment (including pesticides, bail	ts, existing treatme	ent stick	ers or	other methods) ident	fied:	SEE ADDE	NDUM ATT	ACHED
WITH THIS REPORT regarding treatment evidence discovered. Also, r	efer to the seller's	disclos	ure for	possible related info	rmation.			
8G.Visible evidence of: SEE ADDENDUM & Diagram (pg 3) ha	s been observed	in the fo	ollowing	g areas: SEE ADD	ENDUM &	Diagram (pg	3) for comn	nents about
discovered evidence of prior or current wood destroying insect activity.	Also, refer to the s	eller's d	disclosu	ure for possible relate	d informatio	on.		
If there is visible evidence of active or previous infestation, it must be no property inspected must be noted in the second blank. (Refer to Part I				t be listed in the first t	olank and a	II identified inf	fested areas	of the
The conditions conducive to insect infestation reported in 7A & 7B:								
9. Will be or has been mechanically corrected by inspecting company:					Yes		No	\boxtimes
If "Yes," specify corrections: This company did not c							able for add	itional fees.
Return visits to the property for verification of correction and or	producing additi	onal re	ports	require additional s	ervice fee	es.		
9A.Corrective treatment recommended for active infestation or evidenc		station v	vith no	prior treatment		_		
as identified in Section 8. (Refer to Part G, H, and I, Scope		70 .		· · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Yes			
9B.A preventive treatment and/or correction of conducive conditions as					Yes	\boxtimes	No	
Specify reason: Refer to sections 7A & 7B - 9A & 9B on page	e 2 of the adden	<u>aum to</u>	r relat	ed information.				
Refer to Scope of Inspection Part J								
10A.This company has treated or is treating the structure for the following	ing wood destrovir	na insec	ts:	ALL RID has NOT tr	eated this	building / re	sidence	
	artial	Spot		Bait				
If treating for drywood termites or related insects, the treatment was: Fu	_	Limit				e anoi		
10B. ALL RID has NOT treated this building / residence		N/A	.00			N/A		
Date of Treatment by Inspecting Company	Common		of Inse	ct	Name of	Pesticide, Bai	t or Other M	ethod
This company has a contract or warranty in effect for control of the follo								othou
Yes No List Insects: 1	-			inty for one year from	the date of	f this inspectio	on Warra	ntv IS NOT
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If "Yes", copy(ies) of warranty and treatment diagram			<u></u>					
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	TEXAS OFFICIAL WOOD DESTROYING INSECT REPORT Page 3 of 3 Diagram of Structure(s) Inspected The inspector must draw a diagram including approximate perimeter measurements and indicate active or previous infestation and type of insect by using the following codes:																																											
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Property	Occupied /obstructions pr	esent 🗌 Vacant 🛛 🛛 V	acant with stored items / obstructions	Dark-morning / night
Weather:	Temp: 40 - 50 Degrees	🛛 Dry 🗌 Recent Rain	🗌 Light Rain 🛛 Rain	Stormy I Ice / Snow
Visibility:	🗌 Clear 🗌 Mostly sunny	Partly to Mostly Cloudy	🗌 Overcast 🛛 Mode	rate Winds 🛛 High Winds

The following is an addendum to the wood destroying insect report provided by All Rid, Inc.

This addendum contains vital information that explains obstructed areas, conducive conditions, past and present termite activity, if any. Read this addendum in its entirety. This addendum is not complete until you see "end of the addendum page" on page 6.

This report is prepared exclusively for the person named on line 4A of the Official Texas Wood Destroying Insect Report and is not transferable in any manner. If you are a third party reviewing this report you must hire another licensed inspector to represent you on this property.

Very Important notification: This report attempts to provide information to you about wood destroying insect activity on the building inspected. The inspection consists of a licensed inspector spending a limited amount of time in and around the building observing readily accessible areas for visible evidence of wood destroying insect activity. This cursory and superficial inspection intends to reduce your risk and is not designed to eliminate or assume your risk. Previous or future inspections, including remodeling activities, may discover additional findings this report did not. This inspection is cursory or general in nature and may not discover all wood destroying insect activity or conditions, be they accessible or inaccessible areas. It is important to know that damage or conditions beyond what the inspector was able to find may exist. This service does not warrant or guarantee the property to be free of wood destroying insects or damage or that all activity has been found. This inspection service will not pay for the repair or treatment of undiscovered problems. Be advised, every building is likely to experience wood destroying insect activity and chemical treatments. Please read the report in its entirety, including the "WDI Explanations & Limitations" addendum, and call if you have questions.

Regarding 8F-8G Visible evidence; Additional comments

Evidence of some form of past treatment was indicated by markings of drilled holes at the front and rear porches. The extent of treatment, type of chemical(s), effectiveness of treatment, and other conditions remain undetermined. Refer to the seller or occupant for possible related information. Prior evidence of subterranean termites was indicated by tunnel material at the southwest corner of the garage. Refer to the seller's disclosure for possible information regarding this item. The extent of damage is undetermined, and often requires removing building materials. Excavation and subsequent repair of hidden damage and related areas is often not cost effective, though sometimes considerable damage is discovered. Depending on the risk you are willing to accept, the cost of invasive investigation may be subjective.

Refer to the diagram for locations of evidence, if such evidence was discovered.

Regarding 6A - 6B Obstructive Conditions; Additional comments

The report will not identify all obstructed areas. Some obstructions are: materials over concrete cracks; Cracked corners on concrete slabs; Mortar dressed slab edges; Joints in multilevel foundations; Wing walls and planters adjacent the building; Wood floors under carpet or furnishing; Behind tarpaper or other materials covering piers; Inside masonry block or stacked brick; Behind vinyl or aluminum siding; concrete foundations with an elevated wood floor system; Behind upholstered walls; Any undecked insulated attic with less than 5 feet of headroom or unsafe areas; For safety reasons, wood roof surfaces are usually not walked upon. If the inspector makes an extra effort to walk on a wood roof it is understood that a cursory observation of large areas is done. Shingle by shingle inspection for drywood termites, wood borers or other conditions is not performed. Any crawlspace with less than 2 feet of clearance Any extra effort to enter an obstructed crawlspace is beyond the scope of the service and all areas will not be seen; Air ducts in crawlspaces or attics; Condition of any ducts in concrete is undetermined; The inspector does not touch, probe or sound every square foot of wood construction components. Inspection is cursory and visually done from many feet away in most circumstances. Bear in mind that it is possible for damaged wood to exist and not exhibit evidence of performance failure Although the inspector might move a small item as a gratuitous added service, it should be understood that moving furniture, stored items and obstructions is beyond the scope of the inspection and conditions behind such remain undetermined.

- Foundation cracks/joints are not readily accessible and conditions within remain undetermined. This report does not address structural impact
 of foundation cracks, only their relation to wood destroying insects.
- The home is aged; Termites are known to be in this neighborhood, and have likely been at this property. Realistically, termites may currently
 be under or in this property at undiscovered locations. Have the property inspected annually for wood destroying insects and when they are
 discovered, treatment will be necessary.
- The home had been recently painted / remodeled. Some conditions or prior evidence may have been covered and undiscovered. Refer to the seller's disclosure for possible information regarding prior insect activity, treatment, and remodeling.
- <u>Attics</u> are obstructive by design. Perimeters, under decking, insulated areas, etc are obstructed, and are not comprehensively inspected. The home in general has obstructed areas including but not limited to wall voids, insulation, floor coverings, cabinets, etc. Even when vacant, the home is NOT inspected on an "inch by inch" basis. This is a limited, visual, cursory inspection. Refer to "Scope of Inspection" on page one.

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Regarding 7A - 7B Conducive Conditions; Additional comments

Conducive conditions are those situations that tend to promote or assist insect activity. Many of the mandatory conducive condition comments on the Texas form represent common construction or landscaping practices. Some of the conducive conditions on the Texas form rely on the subjective opinion of the inspector conducting the inspection. Immediate correction or modification of the conditions may not always be required or justified and there are many situations where an ongoing inspection or monitoring plan can be implemented One such example is ivy growing on the side of a home. While ivy is conducive to increased insect activity it is also an occasionally found landscaping practice. Although the Texas report will consider the condition conducive it does not mean you are required to remove the ivy. You may find a periodic inspection program that utilizes low impact pest control methods satisfactory in your situation. Be advised, lenders are accustomed to rejecting funding on the basis of a conducive we recommend you show your lender the report in advance of closing so that any objections can be addressed. If we are required to re-inspect corrected conditions or reproduce report paper work a service charge is applicable.

- ADVISORY: I Recommend correction of: any and all J (moisture) & M (rot) conditions if present. Recommend correction of all other conditions as soon as feasibly possible or prior to closing if you are unwilling to accept all risk and responsibility of monitoring and maintaining the property. Reinspection to verify correction will incur a minimum fee of \$50
- Plumbing penetrations through slab foundations are conducive by design. It is undetermined if this home was pre-treated during construction.
- Refer to diagram for general location of conducive conditions noted below and other important information.

(C) Foundation cracks suspected or likely below floor coverings, walls, etc.

C (C) Foundation slab or corner cracks discovered at the property

(C) Foundation joints- two adjacent foundations, patios / porches, additions, floating slab, wing wall etc.

(C) Stucco / Artificial stucco cladding may retain moisture and is often low to grade / soil, or otherwise conducive by design or installation method.

C) Mortared foundation edge at some or all perimeters

C) Wood shingle roof with overlay (composition shingle or other)- conducive to carpenter ants

(C) Sunken / Raised Foundation at one or more locations of the home. Potential for existence of (I) forms from construction and (M) rot

(G) Wood / <u>Bark</u>, mulch- wood destroying insects often may be present and undiscovered

- (G) Wood Deck- appears to be treated/pressurized lumber; Monitor this item periodically and repair if / when needed.
- (G) Wood Deck-does NOT appear treated/pressurized or is aged and susceptible to insect attack and rot/moisture damage.

(G) Wood / Timbers, railroad ties, shoring timbers, stumps, storage building, etc

(G) Wood <u>expansion-boards</u> typically at sidewalk, driveway/garage joints, etc

(G) Wood to ground contact – <u>Other</u>

[] (I) Form boards or wood stakes remaining in the soil- Also likely includes (M) Rot

(J) Moisture-Leakage or plumbing drainage: in, adjacent, or below the building

(J) Moisture- Leakage suspected / evidenced by stains, decay, and or fungus on cellulose material

- (J) Moisture- Drainage incorrect adjacent, or below the building; / negative slope, low or eroded areas, etc
- (J) Moisture- Drainage questionable / marginal adjacent, or below the building
- (J) Moisture- Crawl space- High moisture conditions below the building from poor grading, lack of ventilation, etc.

(K) Wood debris- in proximity to the structure, may include rot conditions

L) Grade too high- Soil or landscaping materials higher than recommended adjacent the building- Min 4" below masonry; 6" below cellulose

(L) <u>Siding / stucco / other wall material</u> near, at, or below grade at a foundation joint

(L) Soil or Ant pile at or above veneer

(L) Low clearance in the crawl space (<18") between ground and wood framing

(M) Rot: - moisture damaged wood in, on, or in proximity to the structure

(N) Foliage touching the building

(N) Trees touching walls / roof

(N) <u>Ivy</u> or similar growing on the building

(N) <u>Red-tip</u>-photenias. In proximity to the structure; may also include rot conditions within the shrub.

(O) <u>Planters</u> – Soil filled; This feature often also includes (L) high soil, and (J) poor drainage conditions

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(R) Fence touches the home; the SPCB considers this additionally conducive to wood destroying insect activity.

(T) Ventilation is marginal or poor. Poor ventilation in attic / crawl space is considered conducive to wood destroying insects

Regarding 9A & 9B Additional comments

N/A

Treatment is recommended - N/A

Correction of conducives recommended- see "Advisory" at top of this page

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General Statement

Thank you for using All Rid, Inc. TPCL#6110 to conduct your Wood Destroying Insect (WDI) inspection. The purpose of the inspection is to provide a cursory observation of the readily accessible areas of the building in order to report observed WDI activity. Opinions are made based upon what was seen at the time of inspection. Furniture, stored items and flooring are not moved for inspection purposes. It is important to understand that while the inspection attempts to reduce your risk it will not eliminate your risk. Although the inspector tries to be thorough, this cursory report does not represent all insect activity or damage to have been discovered or completely reported. Such expectation is simply beyond the scope of our service. Guarantees, warranties or protection against errors and omissions are not expressed or implied.

Read the report, it is important!

It is important that you and all interested persons read the report, the inspection agreement and any addenda, before the property is purchased. If you have questions or are unclear regarding our findings, please feel free to call before you buy the property. Of course you may also feel free to call us with a question after you purchase the home.

Ask for the sellers' disclosure notice

We recommend you ask for the sellers' disclosure notice. The disclosure notice is important because it may address an issue our inspection does not discover. Do not withhold information from the inspector to see if he or she will "find it." The more information we are provided, the better service we can provide. When you obtain a copy of the sellers disclosure form, you should request copies of all known WDI (termite) inspections, treatments and damage repairs. If differences exist between this report and other documents, please contact the inspector to discuss such prior to closing.

Past or future inspections

Past or future inspections may discover additional findings or render different opinions. If we were to inspect this property a second time a new finding or opinion might be discovered. Future changes or interpretations of the Structural Pest Control Board (SPCB) inspection Standards may cause conditions to be reported on a future inspection that are not included in the report.

General limitations

Unless specifically stated, the following is not determined: Toxicological or environmental conditions; the presence of plumbing leaks; Site drainage; Ventilation calculations; code conformance; the life expectancy of type of treatments. Annual inspections are recommended as a preventative measure.

Guarantees and warranties

This inspection does not provide any warranty or guarantee regarding treatment of wood destroving insects or their damage. The cursory nature of the inspection makes it impossible to make guarantees. The inspection is of readily accessible visible areas and it is entirely possible for insects such as termites, to remain undetected until after our inspection.

Pesticide contamination

This inspection does not inspect for pesticide or chemical contamination in any form or fashion. Unless stated, the report does not determine if chemicals have been applied in the past. Any mention of past chemical usage is gratuitous and in incomplete. Chlordane has not been used since the late 1980's and in June of 2000 the popular chemical chlorpyrifos (Dursban) was removed from most market applications. If you are concerned about pesticides you should contact an appropriate specialist. Perhaps the Texas Department of Health can provide assistance in locating such companies.

Damage

Reporting and assessing the amount of WDI damage is not required by the Texas Structural Pest Control Board and unless specified is beyond the scope of this inspection. Be advised that it is entirely possible for damage to remain undetected and unreported. Any damage reported should be considered to be a partial representation of the discovery and further inspections may be required to fully assess scope of damage. Destructive examinations might be required to fully assess scope of damage. Destructive examinations might be required to fully assess damages. This inspection intends to reduce risk but will not eliminate risk. The inspector does not sound, push or probe every square inch of a building. We do not use specialized inspection techniques such as dogs, audio equipment of fiber optic bore scopes. It is possible for damage to be overlooked, patched up or painted over. In the words of the Structural Pest Control Board: "if visible evidence of active or previous infestation of listed wood destroying insects is reported, it should be assumed that some degree of damage is present." Some areas where damage can remain undiscovered are: siding materials; studs; joists; drywall; plumbing areas; showers; baseboards; rafters; posts; attics and crawlspace areas and or containing air ducts; wood floor systems.

Subterranean termites

Subterranean termites are very common in the north Texas region. They are so common that our opinion is it's a matter of "when" termites will infest a building and not "if". We find that in general buildings less than 3 years old have less risk. We do occasionally find termites on younger buildings; however it is the exception rather than the rule. Buildings that are older than 3 years seem to be in the highest risk category. Our experience leads us to believe that most buildings will have some sort of treatment done before it is 10 years old. If we report this home as not showing visible signs of termite infestation you should understand that it is simply a matter of time before they show up and a corrective action will be needed.

Treating for subterranean termites

Treatment for subterranean termites has traditionally focused on creating a chemical barrier by placing pesticides on the soil around and sometimes under a home. Previous chemicals like chlordane were very effective but were removed from the market place due to misapplications and suspected dangers. We do not test for chemical contamination and, if you are interested in such, you should consult an expert on the matter. It is our opinion that reinfestation is a matter of when and not if, on the good side new chemicals have been developed and are working well.

Drywood and Formosan termites

Drywood termites are uncommon in this region but have been reported in isolated circumstances. Formosan termites have been found in all major DFW area counties and their spread is expected to increase. It seems that cold winters and drier conditions discourage significant colony growth at this time. The inspector does not inspect rail road ties or bark for the insects. When isolated infestations are discovered, they are usually related to import infested construction or landscaping materials. Treatments for these insects vary and are much more expensive and difficult than that for subterranean termites. It is recommended you ask the seller to disclose specifically if the home has had drywood or Formosan termite species prior to closing. For further information concerning activity of Formosan insects contact the Texas Structural Pest Control Board and Texas A&M University as it is my understanding they may be monitoring this subject. If active termites are found you should have the type identified before treatment is done. It is very easy to confuse subterranean and Formosan termites.

Wood boring beetles

There are many types of wood boring beetles. It is common to find occasional prior beetle activity in wood construction materials such as joists and wood trim. In most cases, we do not see damage occurring. In almost all cases the infestation is inactive due to wood processing techniques such as kiln drying. Occasionally active beetles' found. Wood boring beetle damage occurs slowly so there is no need for panic if the beetles are detected. Tenting and fumigating an entire building may not be justified in all cases. Most infestations can be successfully treated via local treatments or wood removal. Powder post beetles are usually found in woods such as ash paneling and trim. Unfortunately, beetles can infest wood without being readily detectable. They are usually imported to the site as concealed larvae in wood materials. Post inspection emergence is infrequent but nonetheless a possibility.

Carpenter ants

Carpenter ant detection is dependent on foraging activities and seasonal factors. In warmer weather the ants are more active at night. Carpenter ants do not eat wood; instead they excavate galleries in which they nest. Many times the ants will nest in wall voids or insulation. Preferred nesting areas tend to be moist and perhaps associated with a wood rot condition. Damage is slow to occur in most cases and radical emergency treatment actions are usually not justified. The ants are common in densely foliated areas and keeping foliage trimmed away from buildings will reduce risk of infestation. Various treatment methods exist. If your home is in an area with moisture and copious vegetation you should expect periodic encounters with the insects.

Insect specie identification

Although the inspector has general knowledge of the biology, habits, and identification of insects such as Wood Bores, Drywood termites and Formosan termites, the inspector should not be considered an identification expert due to the infrequency in which some of these insects are encountered. The inspector will attempt to be accurate; however incorrect identification of insect specie is possible. No warranty or guarantee is made regarding correct insect specie identification. Precise entomological identification services are available by your request for an additional fee.

This is the end of the addendum pages.