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Dear Homeowner:

Thank you for contacting the Division for Public Health Protection and Safety and/or the Division for Air Quality regarding your concerns about mold in your home.

Recently, mold has become a highly visible issue which is of great concern to many Kentucky citizens. Together, the Division Public Health Protection and Safety and the Division for Air Quality have combined resources to create this packet of information for homeowners. We hope that it will be a useful tool.

Included in this packet are:

- The EPA's, "A Brief Guide To Mold, Moisture, and Your Home"
- The EPA's, "Mold Remediation in Schools and Other Commercial Buildings"
- FEMA's, "Repairing Your Flooded Home"
- A list of Environmental Consultants on Indoor Air Quality
- "Flood Recovery: Mold in Your Home"

Although many citizens request to have someone come to check or test their homes for mold contamination, the Centers for Diseases Control and Prevention (CDC) along with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) do not recommend the testing of mold in the home. With no funding or staff allocated to this subject, coupled with the Federal recommendations, we are not able to conduct mold testing in the home. Federal Guidelines simply advise the homeowner to clean up the mold if possible, or hire a consultant for remediation. Any mold can be harmful to health; therefore it is advisable to remove all types of mold from the home. This information will also provide tips for minimizing the potential for growth of mold.

Many citizens also have questions concerning legislation on mold. At this time, neither the State of Kentucky, nor the Federal Government have established any statutes or regulations regarding mold.

Please direct any other questions or concerns to:

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