MEMORANDUM

VERY IMPORTANT, PLEASE READ-

From: Lee M. Lawrence II-Pest Control Licensing & Enforcement
To: All Structural Wood-Destroying Pest Inspection Companies
Re: The Forbidden Use of HUD’s New NPMA-33 Wood Destroying Insect Inspection Report

On January 1, 2005, HUD mandated the use of its new wood destroying pest inspection report form, Form NPMA-33, for pest inspections of HUD financed homes. In a statement from HUD to lenders, HUD stated that its Form NPMA-33 was to replace all other forms except pest inspection forms from states which HUD had already approved. Somehow the state of Nevada was left off HUD’s list of states with approved wood-destroying pest inspection report forms. This confusion has resulted in lenders rejecting Nevada’s wood destroying pest inspection report form for HUD financed homes.

The Nevada Department of Agriculture has discussed with, and written letters to, HUD regarding the severity of this issue. HUD now understands that Nevada’s wood destroying pest inspection report form is superior to the Form NPMA-33 and has agreed to accept Nevada’s wood-destroying pest inspection report form in lieu of the Form NPMA-33. To finalize HUD’s acceptance of Nevada’s wood destroying pest inspection report form, the Nevada Department of Agriculture issued a statement to HUD which prohibits the use of the Form NPMA-33 in the state of Nevada. THEREFORE, AND PURSUANT TO NAC 555.430.1, THE NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PROHIBITS THE USE OF THE FORM NPMA-33 FOR ANY WOOD DESTROYING PEST INSPECTION WITHIN THIS STATE.

Financial institutions will probably not be aware of these changes for several months, as HUD needs this time to amend and distribute this information. In the meantime, this letter may be used to inform lenders of these changes. If additional information, or confirmation is needed, Greg Stickler from HUD’s Western Region headquarters in Santa Anna, California, has agreed to provide assistance. He can be reached at (888) 827-5605 ext. 3409.

An internet link has been set up on the Nevada Department of Agriculture’s home page where all correspondence with HUD, on this issue, can be viewed. Go to the Nevada Department of Agriculture’s home page at www.agri.nevada.gov and click on the link entitled “Nevada Department of Agriculture’s correspondences with FHA/VA, HUD”, or bookmark the following web address: http://www.agri.nevada.gov/FHA_VA_HUD.htm.