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**Subject:** wind mitigation reports

Dear Homeowners,

You may or may not know that submitting a wind mitigation report to your homeowners insurance company can often result in a substantial discount on your homeowners insurance fees. The potential discount is determined by information on the report regarding your condo's roof and how the roof is attached to the building, among other factors.

In the past, as new roofs have been installed, the roofer has provided us with the wind reports as part of the roofing contract. All we homeowners needed to do was give a copy to our own homeowners insurance carrier to see if we qualified for a discount.

However, in recent months, insurance carriers have stopped accepting reports signed by roofers. They are now requiring the reports be filled out and signed by either specialized inspectors or general contractors.

After some research and obtaining bids from general contractors and specialized inspectors, the board voted in our last meeting to have reports done for all 17 of our buildings by a specialized inspector.

To complete the reports, the inspector will need to access attics in all 17 buildings to see the underside of the roofs. He will not need to go into every attic, but will need to access at least one B, C, or D unit in each building. Because the A unit roof is separate from the roof on the rest of the building, he will need to go into every A unit attic.

He will only be in the attic a few minutes to complete his inspection.

As you can imagine, scheduling an inspection of 34 attics to occur in 1 or 2 days is no easy task. If you own an A unit, I am asking for your cooperation in allowing us access to your attic. For those of you who are not currently here in Clearwater, if you could please provide me with the contact information for whomever has access to your unit, I would truly appreciate it. For those of you who own B, C, or D units, I would definitely appreciate your volunteering your attic to be one of those we can have access to.

I have not yet set a date for the inspection but am hoping to have it done in about 2 to 3 weeks, depending on how soon I can coordinate with all of you to have access to your attics. Although the inspector does not typically work on weekends, he has agreed to come out on a Saturday for us as long as it is not on a holiday weekend. He has also agreed to spread out the inspections over 2 days if necessary to accommodate our schedules if that would help. That would most likely mean a Friday and Saturday.

So, please respond to this email or give me a call and let me know if you have questions, concerns, or if you're willing to let the inspector have access to your attic. Please remember, this inspection is being done to benefit the homeowners of our association. When the inspections are done, we will provide each of you with a copy of the new wind mitigation report for your building so you can submit it to your homeowners insurance carrier and potentially receive a discount on your homeowners insurance.

Thanks,

Jane Somers

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