

GUIDELINES FOR SELECTING AN INDOOR AIR QUALITY CONSULTANT

Introduction:

It is important to determine whether you truly need to hire a professional to evaluate your home for Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) problems. This document will help you evaluate the need to hire a professional and what to look for when hiring an IAQ consultant. There is tremendous variability in knowledge and skill levels among individuals providing IAQ services. This is compounded by the fact that there are no federal or state specific IAQ standards or certification requirements for service providers, except where it involves asbestos and lead.

Since you are most familiar with your property and have spent the most amount of time there, you are the most valuable resource to the professional. If and when you hire a consultant you become a general contractor, the person whom will dictate what shall or shall not be done and to authorize how your money shall be spent. The following are four steps to determine the need and the type of professional /consultant to investigate and resolve your IAQ problem.

STEP 1: Develop a possible explanation for the problem. It is very important to keep an open mind and not focus on only one potential issue, doing so may result in missing other possible problems. Start by reviewing MDH indoor air quality fact sheets and recommended resources on our website, located at the bottom of this page. Try to identify or solve the problem yourself. If investigating a mold/moisture problem we strongly encourage reading our fact sheets on mold and moisture especially the "Testing for Mold" and "Mold in Homes" fact sheets.

STEP 2: Gather as much evidence as you can to support your hypothesis of what is causing the IAQ problem. If unsure about your ability to positively identify the problem, determine what specific expertise or equipment is needed to fully investigate your hypothesis.

STEP 3: Based on your established needs determine who may be the most qualified professional to perform the task. A very good resource for this is a document called "Guidelines For Selecting An Indoor Air Quality Consultant" and it can be found at www.cal-iaq.org/guide_aiha_9901.htm

STEP 4: Validate the credentials and the expertise of the professional you have chosen to perform the required task. Listed below are specific questions you should ask:

- 1) Have you dealt with this type of problem before?
- 2) What and how did they investigate similar problems, and with what result?
- 3) Ask for a minimum of three references of clients that had similar problems.
- 4) Follow-up on all references asking them the following questions:
 - a. What specific services were performed?
 - b. Did professional keep on task?
 - c. Did professional perform any unnecessary services?
 - d. Did professional achieve desired results?
 - e. Did professional perform work within agreed budget?
 - f. What if anything would you have done differently



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Minnesota Indoor Air Quality Services Providers - Residential

The following is a list of businesses that have reported to the Minnesota Department of Health that they provide Indoor air quality investigation services or subcontract these types of services to other companies. These companies provide a broad range of indoor air and building evaluation services. When contacting companies, it is important to describe the problem as best as you can and ask for an estimated cost for their services. This list is not intended to be all inclusive nor does it constitute an endorsement by the Minnesota Department of Health.

Services Key:

- 1 - Mold Remediation**
- 2 - Mold Remediation Design**
- 3 - Moisture Investigation**
- 4 - Carbon Monoxide Testing**
- 5 - Ventilation Diagnostics**
- 6 - Volatile Organic Compounds Testing**

ADB Associates

2021 Rhode Island Avenue N
Golden Valley, MN 55427
(763) 591-1025
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Services: 3

AMEC Earth & Environment, Inc.

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services: 3, 4, 5, 6

ARS Environmental Health, Inc

11501 Fetterly Road West
Minnetonka, MN 55305
(952) 513-0116 fax: (952) 417-0090
e-mail: DSAbrams@ARS-Environmental.com
services: 2, 3 5, 6

ATC Associates, Inc.

2233 North Hamline Avenue,
Suite 400
Roseville, MN 55113
(651) 635-9050 fax: (651) 635-9080
e-mail: tooker39@atc-enviro.com
web: www.atc-enviro.com
services: 2, 3, 6

Abacus Property Inspections

P.O. Box 18451
Mpls., MN 55418
(612) 781-0950 or (877) 528-7183
fax: (612) 781-1187
e-mail: abacus@net-bizz.com
services: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6

Accredited Indoor Resource Consulting

3714 Queen Avenue North
Minneapolis, MN 55412
(612) 521-2117
e-mail: a.i.r.consulting@att.net
web: www.aireconsulting.com
services: 2, 3, 6

Action Concepts

10144 – 209th St N
Forest Lake, MN 55025
(651) 639-3939
e-mail: actconcepts@aol.com
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Acuity Inspection Associates

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e-mail: acuityinspection@juno.com
services: 3

Advanced Certified Thermography

4350 River Road South
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Advanced Consulting and Inspection

10024 - 167th Court West
Lakeville, MN 55044
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Advanced Environmental Restoration

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services: 1, 2, 3

Air Tamarack, Inc.

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web: www.airtamarack.com
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Air Tech Environmental, Inc.

6989 North 55th Street, Suite C
St. Paul, MN 55128
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fax: (651) 779-7445
e-mail: dave@airtechweb.com
web: www.airtechweb.com
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American Home Service Co.

Aerobiology Laboratory
3 Willowbrook Hgts.
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
(845) 463-0092
e-mail: dfriedman@inspect-ny.com
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Arcadis Geraghty & Miller

420 North 5th Street
Minneapolis, MN 55401
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services: 5, 6

Baywest

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St. Paul, MN 55103
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e-mail: daves@baywest.com
services: 3, 4, 6

Braun Intertec Corp.

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Minneapolis, MN 55439
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e-mail: labservices@brauncorp.com
web: www.brauncorp.com
services: 6

Casey Safety Consultants

P. O. Box 496
Pequot Lakes, MN 56472
(218) 562-4275
e-mail: safety@uslink.net
web: joesafety.com
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Conestoga-Rovers & Associates

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Earth Tech

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Mpls, MN 55441
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e-mail: roger-berkowitz@earthtech.com
web: www.earthtech.com
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Environmental Health Science, Inc

22030 Jason Avenue North
Forest Lake, MN 55025
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e-mail: fmichaud@sprynet.com
web: www.aleader.com/asbestos
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Environmental Process, Inc.

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Minnesota Indoor Air Quality Services Providers - Residential

Environmental Property Audits, Inc.

2701 - 4th Avenue North
Anoka, MN 55303
(763) 323-6700 fax: (763) 323-6677
services: 2, 3

Environmental Troubleshooters, Inc.

3825 Grand Avenue
Duluth, MN 55807
(218) 722-6013
e-mail: cwilson@environmentaltroubleshooters.com
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Services: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Envirotech Remediation Services

2958 North Cleveland Avenue
Roseville, MN 55113-1101
(651) 634-4060 fax: (651) 634-4075
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Family First Inspections

11242 – 100th Place
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763-424-3130
e-mail: failyfirstinspections@att.net
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Hutzel & Associates, Inc.

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ICECOR

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Superior, WI 54880
(715) 395-0965 or (888) 395-0965
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IEQ Corporation

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Indigo Environmental

PO Box 41063
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Integrated Loss Control Inc.

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Interior Care & Construction

451 Commerce Drive, Suite #800
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services: 1, 2

Legend Technical Services

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St. Paul, MN 55114
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services: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Liesch Associates, Inc.

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Loyear Cleaning and Restoration

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McGregor Pearce, Environmental Health Consultant, LLC.
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Nordic Health & Safety, Inc.
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Nova Consulting Group, Inc.
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Peer Environmental & Engineering Resources, Inc.
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888 West County Road D, Suite 210
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Quantum Companies
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Bloomington, MN 55438
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Vadnais Heights, MN 55110
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e-mail: kgrothe@ramseyactionprograms.org
services: 3, 4, 5

Raydot, Inc.
145 Jackson Avenue S
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1-800-328-3813 fax: (320) 286-2104
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services: 5

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Safe Air

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services: 3

Shelter Source, A Shelter Company

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Steamatic of the Twin Cities

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Stewart Selman & Associates

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Twin Ports Testing

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Vac Systems Industries

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