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We write this letter as a friendly reminder to all Real Estate Professionals that CAHPI-Atlantic has an up-to-date web site that contains the names and designations of our member practitioners. Member practitioners who appear on the **"Find An Inspector"** page are either **"Associate Members"** or **"Registered Home Inspector"** members. As a requirement for listing, every member who appears on this site has provided proof of E & O insurance coverage and has a membership *"in good standing."*

Clients and agents can now be assured of security and credentialing when choosing a CAHPI member whose name and designation appears on the site.

As of late there has been an increase in the number of new self-professed home inspectors claiming many different designations, associations and certifications. Many of these are by design fraudulent, deceptive, self-created *and/or* infringe on copyrighted CAHPI designations and logos.

Please be aware that only CAHPI members have the legal right to use the CAHPI logo and the term **RHI** (Registered Home Inspector). Associate Members are members that are in the process of achieving their RHI designation. It is important that all who refer Home Inspectors to their clients verify that the designation is backed and endorsed by CAHPI. This verification can be easily found at [www.cahpi-atl.com](http://www.cahpi-atl.com).

Additionally some CAHPI members have achieved the National Certificate Holder designation. This is a Canada wide program designed to meet the labor mobility agreements that exist between provincial governments. Variations (*like Nationally Certified and Certified Home Inspector*) that have been appearing in the marketplace are meant to deceive and have no credibility. True designations include competency and knowledge testing in the field with a high degree of rigor and are defensible.

CAHPI is in the process of raising the bar for Professional Home Inspectors. A new *'made in Canada'* **"Standards of Practice"** has been launched. The new National Certification will be set at the RHI level to meet the inter-provincial agreements signed by the provincial premiers. Provincial governments are being asked to create legislation to regulate this industry. Consumers are demanding it, fellow professionals are requesting it and we, as an Association of like minded professionals, are pursuing it with vigor.

We invite all real estate professionals to join us in our goal of true consumer protection based on honesty, integrity and the pursuit of excellence.

Thank you,

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