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MEMORANDUM

TO: EPA Renovators Performing Work in Georgia

FROM: Lead-Based Paint and Asbestos Program

SUBJECT: Important Notification Regarding Georgia Certification Requirements

As of December 9, 2015, **ALL** Renovators are required to become certified in Georgia as a Renovator and Renovation Firm. Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) no longer recognizes Grandfathered certifications for Renovators (those who received training from an EPA-authorized training provider prior to December 9, 2010).

Please be advised that if you or your firm work on:

- Target Housing (built before 1978) **OR** Child Occupied Facilities (built before 1978),

Then you and your firm are required to:

- Become a Georgia Certified Renovation Firm to “advertise to, agree to or perform” work or services on these types of facilities.

IN ADDITION, before you or your firm performs renovation, repair or painting (RRP) projects for target housing or child-occupied facilities (built before 1978):

- You are required to attend a one-day RRP course to learn lead-safe practices **AND**
- Become a Georgia Certified Renovator.

Application to become a Georgia Certified Renovation Firm can be found at http://epd.georgia.gov/sites/epd.georgia.gov/files/related_files/site_page/Application%20for%20Renovation%20Firm%20Certification%20%5BRevised%20June%202011%5D.pdf

Application to become a Georgia Certified Renovator can be found at http://epd.georgia.gov/sites/epd.georgia.gov/files/related_files/site_page/app.pdf

A list of Georgia Accredited Renovation Training Providers can be found at http://epd.georgia.gov/sites/epd.georgia.gov/files/related_files/site_page/Reno_TP.pdf

A Summary of the Georgia Lead-Based Paint RRP Rules can be found at http://epd.georgia.gov/sites/epd.georgia.gov/files/Summary_of_Georgia_RRP_Program.pdf

Lead-Based Paint Renovation, Repair and Painting Activities

Georgia's Lead Renovation, Repair, and Painting (RRP) Rules became effective December 9, 2010. Georgia's RRP rules parallel the federal RRP requirements (effective April 22, 2010), which are designed to minimize the spread of lead dust and debris during RRP activities at target housing and child-occupied facilities, built before 1978. The Lead-Based Paint and Asbestos Program is responsible for enforcing the state's RRP rule requirements, including: accrediting training providers; certifying of renovators/supervisors and renovation firms; conducting outreach and education; and developing technical guidance.

Please contact the EPD Duty Officer at 404-363-7026 with questions or visit our webpage at <http://epd.georgia.gov/lead-based-paint>.