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The Honorable Kumar P. Barve
Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee
House Office Building, Room 251
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chairman Barve:

Thank you for your important inquiry regarding the Maryland Department of the Environment's (MDE) Lead Registration Compliance and Accreditation (LRCA) database. This letter is an update on the steps MDE is taking to provide anyone with electronic access to LRCA, once it is completed.

As you are aware, MDE selected a contractor to develop the LRCA system, which is currently on schedule to go live by October 2021. During the planning phase of this project, specific user roles and levels of access to LRCA were identified in the Detailed Systems and Functional Requirements Document (FRD). In Section 3.1 on page 111 of the FRD, access to view the system is granted to the "General Public" as follows:

"No Access to the system except to view a Property's Certificate. Anyone can view the Certificate, if one has been issued, on a Property by entering an address. Login is not required. There shall be link to 'View Certificate' in the login landing page of LRCA system. The user shall enter ONE address and the entry must exactly match what is present in the LRCA system. If there is a match and any Certificate is issued for that property, then the system shall present the user to view the Certificate. No wild card search is allowed. The system shall not display similar addresses for the user to choose from."

The above requirement will provide anyone access to view inspection certificates, as per your request, and the development of the online database will expedite access to the official data at MDE.

Please feel free to contact me or Tyler Abbott, Director of Legislation & Intergovernmental Relations at tyler.abbott@maryland.gov, if you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,

Ben Grumbles
Secretary

cc: The Honorable John P. Morrissey, Chief Judge
The Honorable Dana Stein
The Honorable Marvin Holmes