

Building Inspections - 85 Market St #201

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Subject: 85 Market St #201
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Our company received the attached email from a tenant at our building located at 85 Market Street in Portland. We are forwarding it to you with her permission. She is upset about a two story HVAC unit that was installed by a neighbor at 75 Market Street directly outside her windows. It is on our neighbor's property. We were unaware that it had been installed prior to her email yesterday.

Using an app to measure noise level, we found decibel levels into the 90's in her apartment when the unit was running. I am concerned that the installation of this machine in this location is not legal, is harmful to our tenant's well being, and will be severely decreasing the value of the apartments in our building which face it.

I'd appreciate it if someone can look into this matter and get back to our company. Thank you.

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Good afternoon,

It frustrates me merely one month in to my rental that I must write this to you.

On Saturday, June 21, I woke at 7am to the sounds of metal being cut below my bedroom window. When I got up there were 2 HVAC workers on top of what is now a 2 story industrial HVAC unit, level with my windows, and looking right in to my apartment up until about 12pm. No one notified me that any this would be happening.

Up until this past week this unit – see attached-has not run but for circulating water here and there. Now that cooling season is here, this unit runs for 7-10 minutes approximately every 15 minutes. It emits stream which comes directly into my apartment and on to my furniture, as I have the windows open(its summer). The sound that this makes is beyond intrusive. You can hear it in the hallways so imagine what it is like right

behind your head trying to listen to something on the TV or as I have found, when trying to carry on a conversation. This unit is a nuisance, an annoyance, disruptive, irritating and interferes with any type enjoyment. Even such an action of closing the windows does nothing to mitigate this sound. If the windows are closed it is hot, now with them open it is multiplied by having additional and intentional heat introduced not to mention an odor at times.

I will be curious to find out is this unit will also be providing heat during the winter months so I will have those months in which to endure the sound.

If this is the first you are hearing about this then I encourage you to look at this. If you are aware of this I am looking forward to hearing what solution(s) to correct and remedy this you can offer. As I am not an owner of real estate but merely a renter I do hope you will treat this with the same respect and attention as if I were.

Thank you,

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