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Request for an Extension of time to remedy violations

2 messages

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Sat, Dec 17, 2016 at 6:42 PM

To: fireprevention@portlandmaine.gov

Cc: PMC <pcoffin@lambertcoffin.com>

To Brad James:

We recently received the Notice of Violation and Order to Correct issued on 12/2/16 as a result of your inspection on 11/19/16 of the property my husband and I own at 21 Sayer St, and have been working on remedying the violations. I have done the following:

- put up numbers on the Unit doors,
- confirmed that all units have working smoke and firm alarms,
- confirmed that there is a smoke detector in the basement; it is in ceiling in the middle of the basement and hard to see but it works, and
- contracted with Mainely Plumbing to put in a sprinkler over the gas boiler and that is done.

There are two outstanding items, for which we request an extension, for the following reasons:

- We confirmed that all the units have fire doors and that they do self close, except for one - Unit 1's door at the rear of the apartment. Despite going to Maine Hardware, Aubuchon, Lowe's and Home Depot, we have discovered that we have to order new self closing spring hinges on the internet because no one stocks the one we need. We expect to make that repair as soon as they arrive, but that may not be before Jan 1. There is no tenant in Unit 1 until January 1.
- We have contracted with a local handyman, Jeff Waldman of 11 Sawyer St, who has done work for us before, to put a fire door in at the top of the stairs leading to the basement. He tells us that fire doors are back ordered and hard to come by right now, but that he will put it in just as soon as the door arrives. We have informed the tenants of this, so they know about it.

I hope that I have demonstrated that we are happy to comply, and appreciate knowing that these were problems. We lived in the second floor apartment ourselves until 18 mo ago, so we are very familiar with the building and want it to be kept up.

I would be happy to talk to you anytime to discuss this and hope to hear from you soon regarding my request for an extension. I understood from your office that email would be the best way to reach you about this.

Thank you.

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Wed, Dec 21, 2016 at 10:20 AM

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Hi Susan,

Thank you for the timeliness of your response.

We have listed the end of February, 2/24/2017, as your completion date to allow for the installation of the fire door. Please contact me to schedule a re-inspection when all violations have been completed.

Thank you in advance,

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