TOP FIVE EXTERIOR CHECKLIST

(1) GRADING NEAR STRUCTURE:

Proper grading and proper surface water drainage away from the house - Grading against the house should pitch downward away for at least 6'-10' - No evidence of standing water near the structure. Roof gutters' downspouts are terminated at least 6 feet away from the house.

Landscaping, Shrubs and trees are not planted within 6 feet around the structure. No Tree branches or bushes are in direct contact with the house.

(2) EXTERIOR FASCIA & TRIM:

Serviceable wood trim, Fascia, Adequately secured, No cracks. No rot or decay.

(3) CHIMNEY:

Check to verify that The chimney structure is straight, No evidence of significant damage to the chimney's cladding; Bricks, Stones and other. No deteriorated joints. Proper Chimney's flashing. Proper chimney crown's Mortar / Cement. Appropriate sizing and installation of chimney spark arrestor.

(4) EXTERIOR CLADDING:

The exterior cladding is straight, Plumb and level and free of any bowing. No significant flaking or stucco blistering, No significant stucco cracks. Adequate clearance between exterior cladding and grade. Exterior cladding is equipped with weep screed flashing. No loose sidings, Siding is equipped with appropriate flashing and moisture barriers.

(5) WINDOWS & DOORS:

Check to verify that all windows and doors are square and level, Verify wood frames and trim are secure, No cracks, No Rot or decay. Trim's caulking is serviceable.