## THE RISK OF LIVING WITH RADON continued

## **RADON RISK IF YOU SMOKE**

Radon Level	If 1,000 people who smoked were exposed to this level over a lifetime*	The risk of cancer from radon exposure compares to**	WHAT TO DO: Stop Smoking and
20 pCi/L	About 260 people could get lung cancer	< 250 times the risk of drowning	Fix your home
10 pCi/L	About 150 people could get lung cancer	<ul> <li>200 times the risk of dying in a home fire</li> </ul>	Fix your home
8 pCi/L	About 120 people could get lung cancer	4 30 times the risk of dying in a fall	Fix your home
4 pCi/L	About 62 people could get lung cancer	∢ 5 times the risk of dying in a car crash	Fix your home
2 pCi/L	About 32 people could get lung cancer	← 6 times the risk of dying from poison	Consider fixing between 2 and 4 pCi/L
1.3 pCi/L	About 20 people could get lung cancer	(Average indoor radon level)	(Reducing radon levels below
0.4 pCi/L		(Average outdoor radon level)	2 pCi/L is difficult)

It's never too late to reduce your risk of lung cancer. Don't wait to test and fix a radon problem. If you are a smoker, stop smoking.

Note: If you are a former smoker, your risk may be lower.

## **RADON RISK IF YOU'VE NEVER SMOKED**

Radon Level	If 1,000 people who never smoked were ex- posed to this level over a lifetime*	The risk of cancer from radon exposure compares to**	WHAT TO DO:
20 pCi/L	About 36 people could get lung cancer	<ul><li>35 times the risk of drowning</li></ul>	Fix your home
10 pCi/L	About 18 people could get lung cancer	< 20 times the risk of dying in a home fire	Fix your home
8 pCi/L	About 15 people could get lung cancer	<ul> <li>4 times the risk of dying in a fall</li> </ul>	Fix your home
4 pCi/L	About 7 people could get lung cancer	∢ The risk of dying in a car crash	Fix your home Consider fixina
2 pCi/L	About 4 people could get lung cancer	◆ The risk of dying from poison	between 2 and 4 pCi/L
1.3 pCi/L	About 2 people could get lung cancer	(Average indoor radon level)	(Reducing radon levels below
0.4 pCi/L		(Average outdoor radon level)	2 pCi/L is difficult)

Note: If you are a former smoker, your risk may be higher.

<sup>\*</sup>Lifetime risk of lung cancer deaths from EPA Assessment of Risks from Radon in Homes (EPA 402-R-03-003).

<sup>\*\*</sup>Comparison data calculated using the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's 1999-2001 National Center for Injury Prevention and Control Reports.