



Structural Inspection

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186 Ravensaide Drive
Houma, La. 70360

Construction:

One-story, wood frame, brick and vinyl facade, composition shingle roof on a conventional foundation.

Scope:

This inspection is limited to a visual inspection of the exterior and interior of the home; No Inspection of the mechanical or electrical systems was performed. This report is as outlined by the National Academy of Building Inspection Engineers and is not an explanation of cause, effect, or engineering.

History:

Dammon Engineering was contacted to request a structural inspection of the home due to damage of the exterior brick façade after the home was hit during hurricane Ida on 08-29-2021. Ida's eyewall past through Houma with winds reaching 150 mph and classified as a Category 4 hurricane.

Findings:

Upon a visual inspection of the home, the exterior brick facade is loose when pressing on it, it moves back and forth and the vinyl soffit squeaks due to the movement of the bricks rubbing against it. The rear vinyl siding suffered the same wind damage. Several shingles are missing on the roof and the chimney was blown off.

The interior of the home was noted to have sheetrock seams coming loose in the ceilings and water damage in certain areas.

Conclusion:

Due to the force of the high winds it has weakened the brick ties that keep the brick façade in place and secured to the wood studs. This holds true for the rear vinyl siding facade.

Sincerely,

Brian Mistich, P.E.

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