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Exploratory Study of ASD Ground
Level Exhaust on Radon
Re-entrainment.

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Re-entrainment

The unintended entry of radon gas from a ASD exhaust pipe back into one's home or structure.

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PA Radon Mitigation Standards

14.2.8 To prevent re-entrainment of radon, the point of discharge from vents of ASD systems shall meet all of the following requirements: be above the eave of the roof...

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Do we have to discharge to roof line all the time?

That is what the study is designed to answer, in part.

We don't think that roof line discharge is always necessary.

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Reasons for Ground Level Discharge

1. Aesthetics
2. Safety for installer
3. Cost
4. Efficiency
5. Less condensation

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- Early Studies showed that re-entrainment could lead to increased indoor radon.
- Modeling studies showed that radon could accumulate on the face of the building under certain circumstances.
- PSU used tracer gas from a mock ASD exhaust point with eave and ground level exhaust. The GLE did contribute more to indoor radon than the eave.

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- The Studies continued:
 - The studies did conclude that ground level exhaust may be acceptable when the concentrations are not too high and the exhaust point is ninety degrees pointed away from the house.

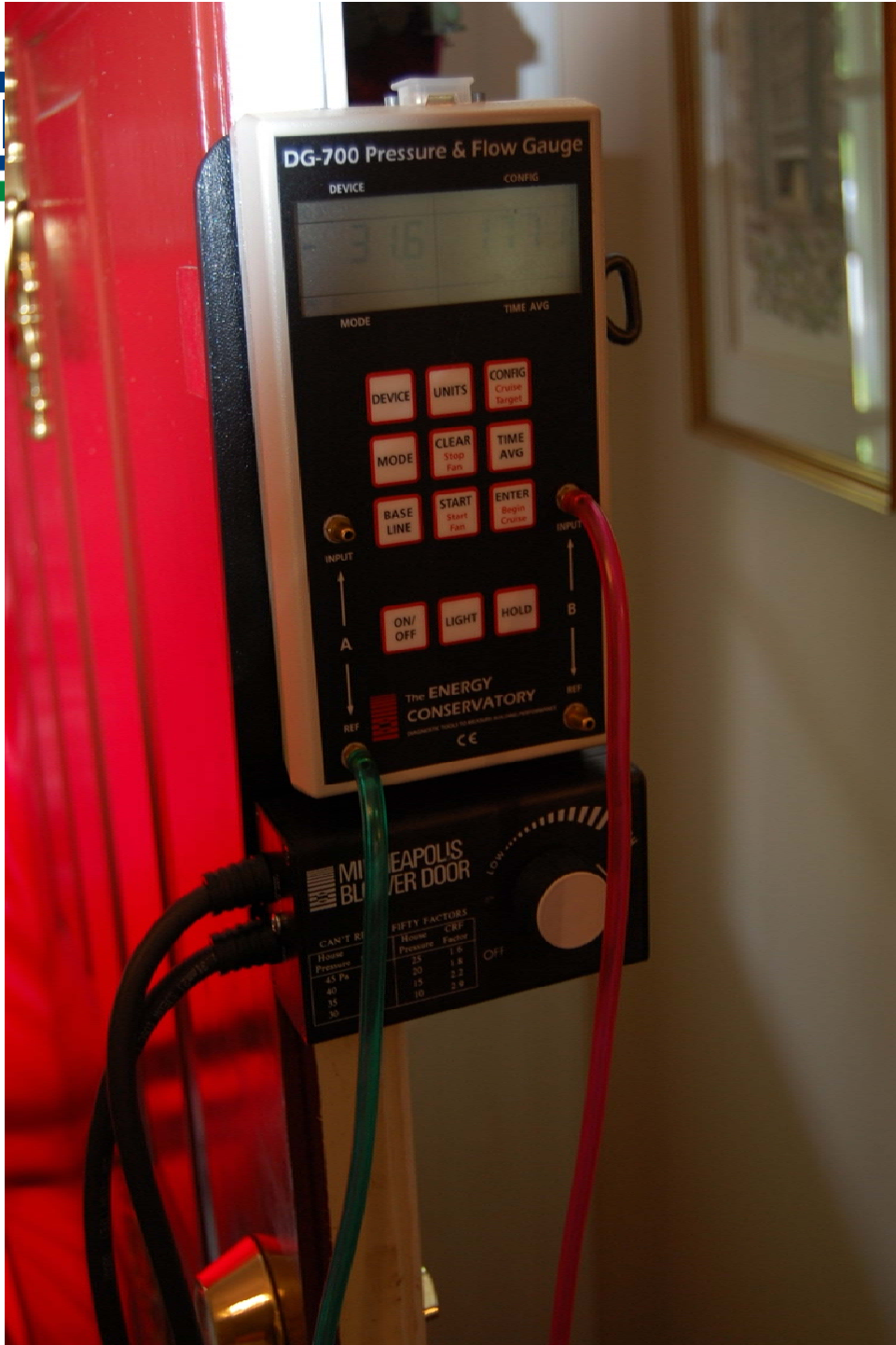




























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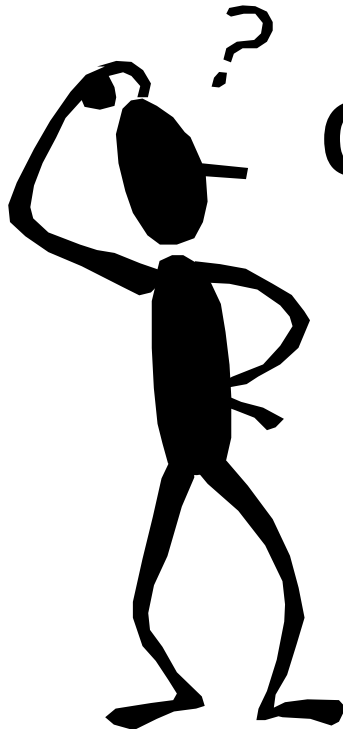
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