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SECTION IN WHICH AN OWNER WHO HAS MADE A WAIVER MAY RESCIND THE WAIVER PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

- (E) THE FORM SHALL CLEARLY AND CONCISELY EXPLAIN IN 12 POINT BOLDFACE TYPE ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER:
- (1) THE COST, NATURE, AND EXTENT OF WARRANTY COVERAGE THAT WOULD BE PROVIDED UNDER THE BUILDER'S NEW HOME WARRANTY SECURITY PLAN IF NOT WAIVED BY THE OWNER;
- (2) THAT THE FAILURE OF THE OWNER TO MAKE A WAIVER REQUIRES THE BUILDER TO PROVIDE A NEW HOME WARRANTY;
- (3) THAT A BUILDER MAY NOT REFUSE TO BUILD A NEW HOME FOR THE OWNER BECAUSE THE OWNER REFUSES TO WAIVE WARRANTY COVERAGE;
- (4) THAT THE OWNER SHOULD BE AWARE THAT BUILDERS OF NEW HOMES IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE LICENSED BY THE STATE AND MOST LOCAL JURISDICTIONS;
- (5) WITHOUT A NEW HOME WARRANTY OR OTHER EXPRESS WARRANTIES, THE OWNER MAY BE AFFORDED ONLY CERTAIN LIMITED IMPLIED WARRANTIES AS ARE PROVIDED BY LAW; AND
- (6) THAT AN OWNER WHO HAS MADE AN AFFIRMATIVE WAIVER OF THE WARRANTY COVERAGE STILL MAY RESCIND THE WAIVER AND REQUEST A NEW HOME WARRANTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 6 OF THE REAL PROPERTY ARTICLE, WITHIN 3 WORKING DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE CONTRACT BY PROVIDING THE BUILDER WITH WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE OWNER'S RESCISSION OF THE WAIVER.

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- (1) (A) ANY WARRANTIES PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE ARE IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER IMPLIED OR EXPRESS WARRANTIES PROVIDED BY LAW OR AGREEMENT.
- (2) (B) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PENALTY IMPOSED BY LAW, THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE OR THE KNOWING MISREPRESENTATION THAT A NEW HOME WARRANTY EXISTS IS AN UNFAIR AND DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICE, AS DEFINED IN § 13–301 OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE.

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ANY PERSON THAT KNOWINGLY VIOLATES THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE OR KNOWINGLY MISREPRESENTS THE EXISTENCE OF A NEW HOME WARRANTY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING