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IDX Rules Change to Prepare for CDS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Carolina Data Share (CDS), which pools the Internet Data Exchange (IDX) databases from the six largest Multiple Listing Services (MLS) in North Carolina, is coming soon! To prepare, CMLS has implemented three new policies:

- 1. Pending Listings Will Be Removed from IDX and Third-Party Data Feeds:** Beginning Tuesday, July 7, CMLS will stop providing “Pending” listings for display on public Internet Web sites. This includes IDX, CarolinaHome.com, Realtor.com, ListHub, Charlotte.com, Distinctive Homes of Charlotte and The Real Estate Book.
- 2. Two Statuses for Listings in IDX and CDS:** Because each MLS has different statuses there will only be two statuses for listings in CDS, “Active” and Conditional”. This should make consumer-based Web sites easier to understand. Therefore, CMLS listings in TEMPO™ with the “contingent” status must appear as “Conditional” on IDX Web sites. CMLS adopted this change in the current IDX rules, and the deadline for compliance is Monday, August 3.
- 3. Map Display Rule for IDX:** “Pop-ups” or “balloons” that appear with a map showing the locations of listings are now exempt from displaying the required fields and IDX icon as long as the required fields and IDX icon are displayed elsewhere on the page, or there is a link to a page with the required fields and IDX icon.

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