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Good afternoon. I am adding my two cents to this topic, since large appraisal management companies are peddling the lie to you all that there is some "appraiser shortage". After all of these years of the amcs treating us like dirt, many of us refuse to work for them any more. So, there is no appraiser shortage, but there may be a shortage of appraisers willing to be disrespected and treated like dirt by those awful appraisal management companies. With online portals like Appraisal Port and Mercury, there is simply no need for lenders to go through amcs any more. The sooner the amcs go away, the better the whole situation will become. I am in an appraisers only closed private group on FaceBook with close to 1200 members nation wide. Every day, it is filled with comments on the latest bad news relating to something an amc has done, or, we are laughing at the behavior of some of these amcs. I was reading this morning about an order for an appraisal still being shopped around three weeks after it was first ordered, all because the amc won't accept the fact that it is a commercial use property getting shopped as residential, and they continue to turn down reasonable fee and turn time quotes, shopping for someone cheaper. Cheap and "fast". Yeah, right. Amcs add weeks to the process, at times taking the order from the first appraiser and giving it to a cheaper appraiser two days later, just so they can make more money. If you are looking for the delays in the appraisal process, they are coming from these appraisal management companies. I stopped working for them at all in 2014. Have a nice day, and Merry Christmas!

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