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- USPAP and AVMs

**ADVISORY OPINION 18**

167 **Review of the Output of an AVM**

168 An appraiser bound by law, regulation, or an agreement to comply with USPAP may be asked if the output of an AVM is credible for a specific property, given the intended use of the AVM’s output. Such a request involves an aspect of value and thereby making this determination is an appraisal practice service, but one for which USPAP has no specific performance standards. The appraiser must ensure compliance with the ETHICS RULE, the COMPETENCY RULE, and the JURISDICTIONAL EXCEPTION RULE.
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At the client’s request, the appraiser is providing the following reconciliation between their opinion of value and the value stated in the AVM output (attached) that was provided/chosen by the client. Prior to reconciling the two values, the appraiser independently researched, verified and analyzed sales and listings of properties they (appraiser) felt to be indicative of the subject’s value, and reconciled those findings to the opinion of value presented in this appraisal report.
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Reconciliation example #1 – Appraisal is more than 10% HIGHER than AVM

Appraiser’s Opinion of Value: $215,000
AVM Estimated Value: $189,000
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Reconciliation example #1 – Appraisal is more than 10% HIGHER than AVM

An examination of the AVM report shows that the appraiser and the AVM model used 2 of the same sales. 1393 S. Northwood is the appraiser’s comparable #1 and AVM’s comparable #2. 2032 N. Parmeelee is the appraiser’s comparable #3 and the AVM’s comparable #5. These two comparables are the highest summarized by the AVM.
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Reconciliation example #1 – Appraisal is more than 10% HIGHER than AVM

As shown in the attached report, the subject has had significant updating completed on the kitchen, master bedroom and both baths and is located directly on the golf course. Both comparables mentioned above have been verified as having similar updates to the subject, and are also located on the golf course.
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Of the remaining 3 sales summarized in the AVM, none were golf course lots and none had as significant updating as the subject. Furthermore, comparable 1 in the AVM (the lowest sale) was a lender mediated sale that sold over list price after only 2 days on the market, indicating it may have been a below market transaction.
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It appears the difference in values may be due to the AVM report giving less weight/recognition to the subject property’s condition and golf course location, and possibly its inclusion of a non-market oriented sale.
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Reconciliation example #2 – Appraisal is more than 10% LOWER than AVM

Appraiser’s Opinion of Value: $245,000

AVM Estimated Value: $291,245
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Reconciliation example #2 – Appraisal is more than 10% LOWER than AVM

An examination of the AVM report shows that the appraiser and the AVM model shared one common sale. 13612 Osborne is the appraiser’s comparable #1 and AVM’s comparable #3.
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Reconciliation example #2 – Appraisal is more than 10% LOWER than AVM

As stated in the attached appraisal report, and demonstrated by the use of two current listings, the subject’s market has had declining property values over the last six months. Like the AVM, the appraiser found few sales in the subject’s neighborhood that occurred in the last 6 months. The abundance of available properties for sale (oversupplied market, 17 month inventory) further supports that the market is soft/declining and negative time adjustments are warranted for properties that sold over 6 months ago.
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Reconciliation example #2 – Appraisal is more than 10% LOWER than AVM

It appears the difference in values may be due to the AVM report giving less weight/recognition to the market decline as all sales summarized by the AVM were over 5 months old.
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Reconciliation example #3 – Appraisal is WITHIN 10% of AVM

Appraiser’s Opinion of Value: $295,000
AVM Estimated Value: $291,245
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Reconciliation example #3 – Appraisal is WITHIN 10% of AVM

An examination of the AVM report shows that the appraiser and the model used 2 of the common sales. 13601Correnti Osborne is the appraiser’s comparable #2 and AVM’s comparable #5 and 13739 Raven is the appraiser’s comparable #3 and the AVM’s comparable #10.

While the appraiser’s opinion of value if higher than the AVM report, the difference is considered to be nominal.