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# Corrected Issues

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| **Work Order** | **Seq** | **Module** | **Reporting Customer(s)** | **Issue Corrected** |
| 135006 | 1 | Email | Omaha, ECAR, IRMLS, NEREN, REB3 | Making edits to the message body appear to apply, but the font changes size after clicking send |
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| 139331 | 1 | Mapping | North Central WV, MiRealSource, NEREN | Validate Mapping Link gives Page Cannot be displayed Error with Certain Listings |
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| 122151 | 3 | CMA | Tallahassee, Baton Rouge, CARMLS, Grand Junction, MAXEBRD, Nova Scotia, Outer Banks, Quad Cities, Plumas, RASM, RANW, REB3, SC Wisconsin, Waco, Willamette | CMA Summary in CMA Packet has incorrect page breaking |
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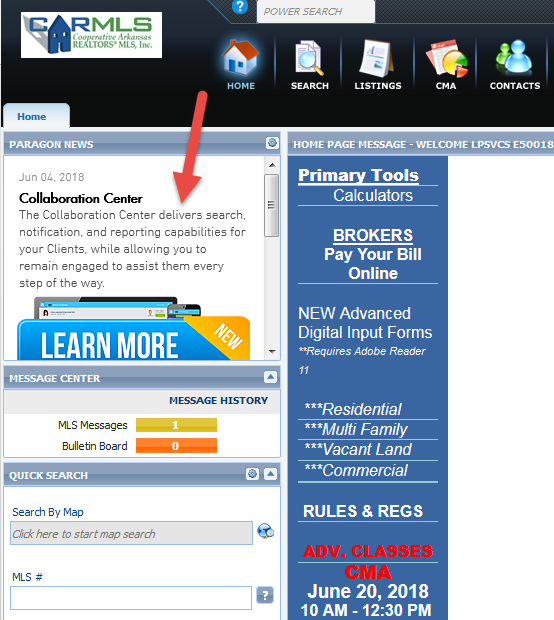
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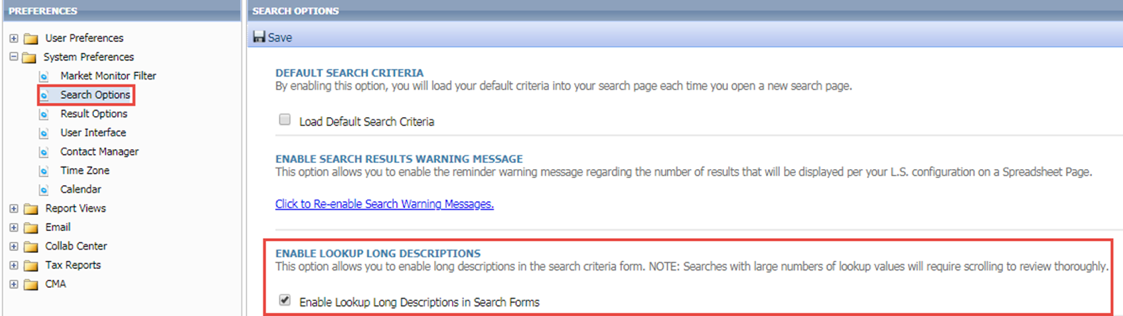
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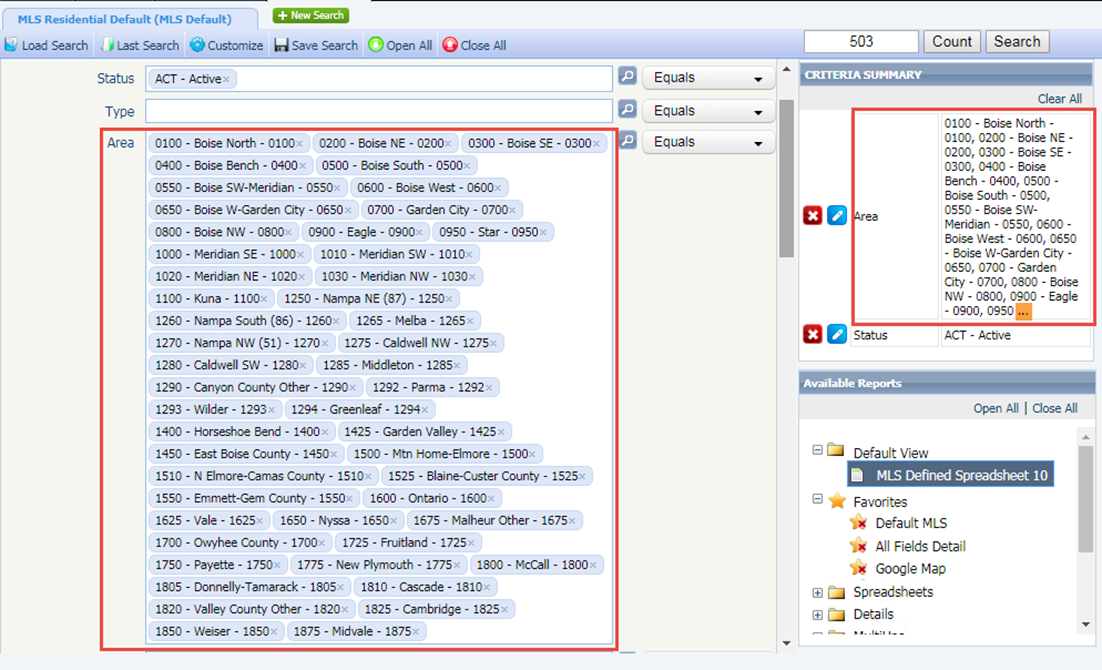


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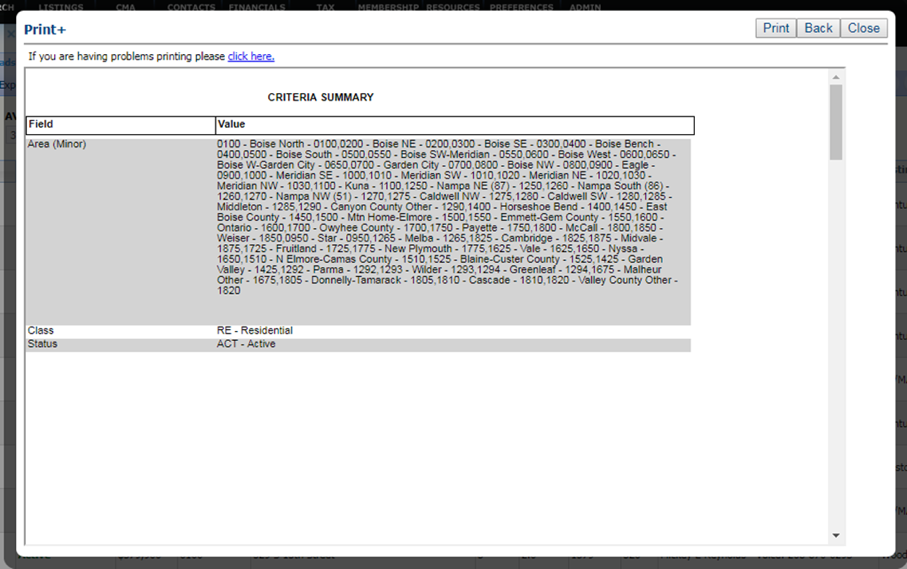
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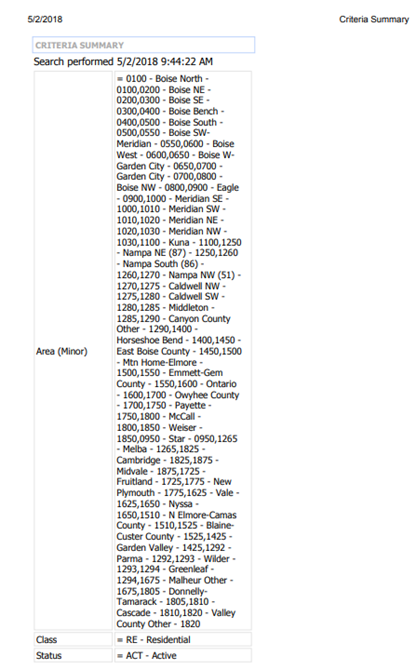


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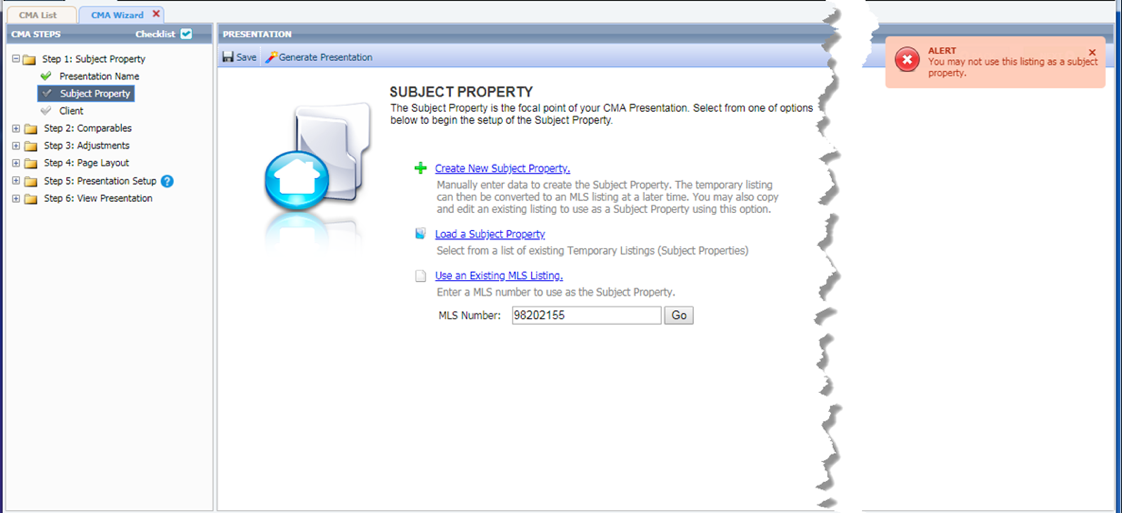


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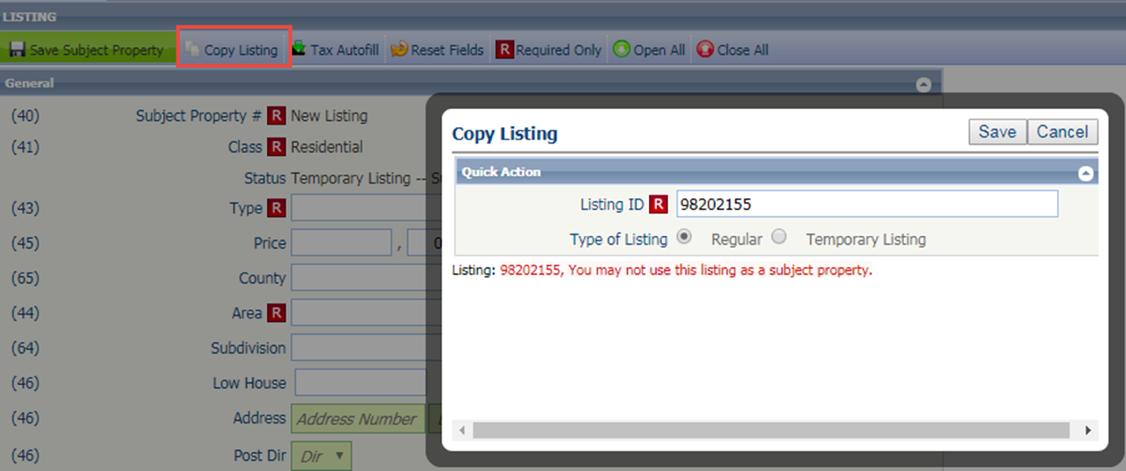
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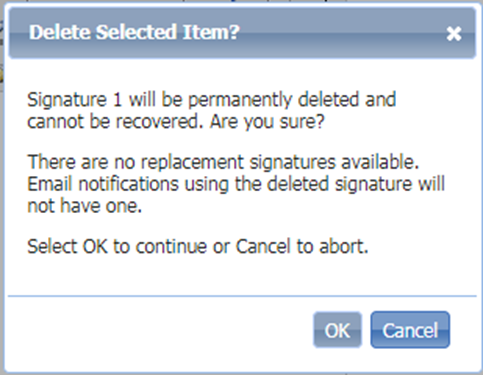
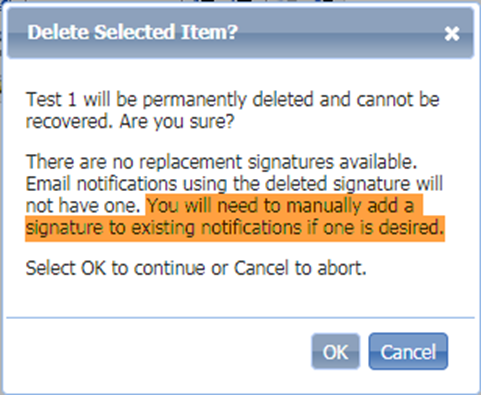


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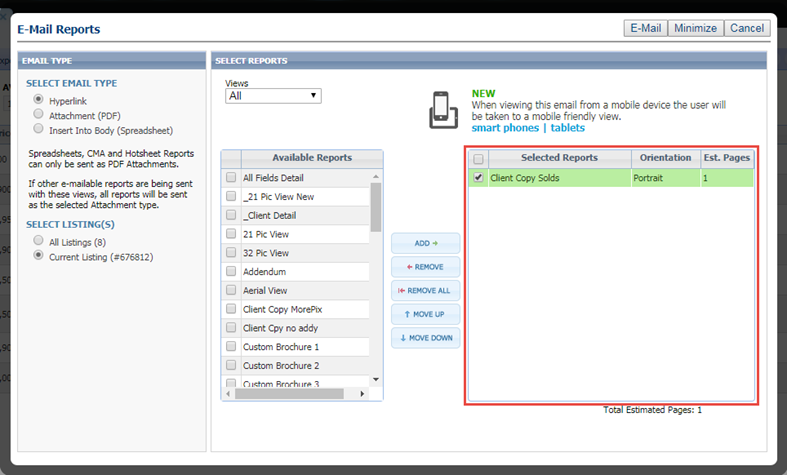
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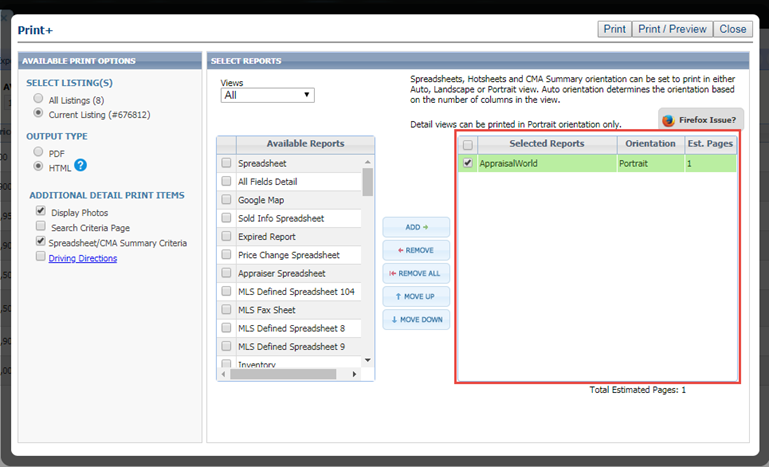
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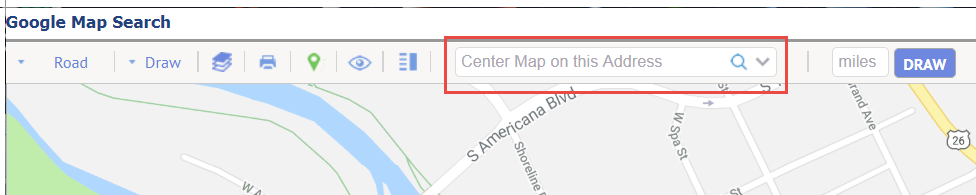
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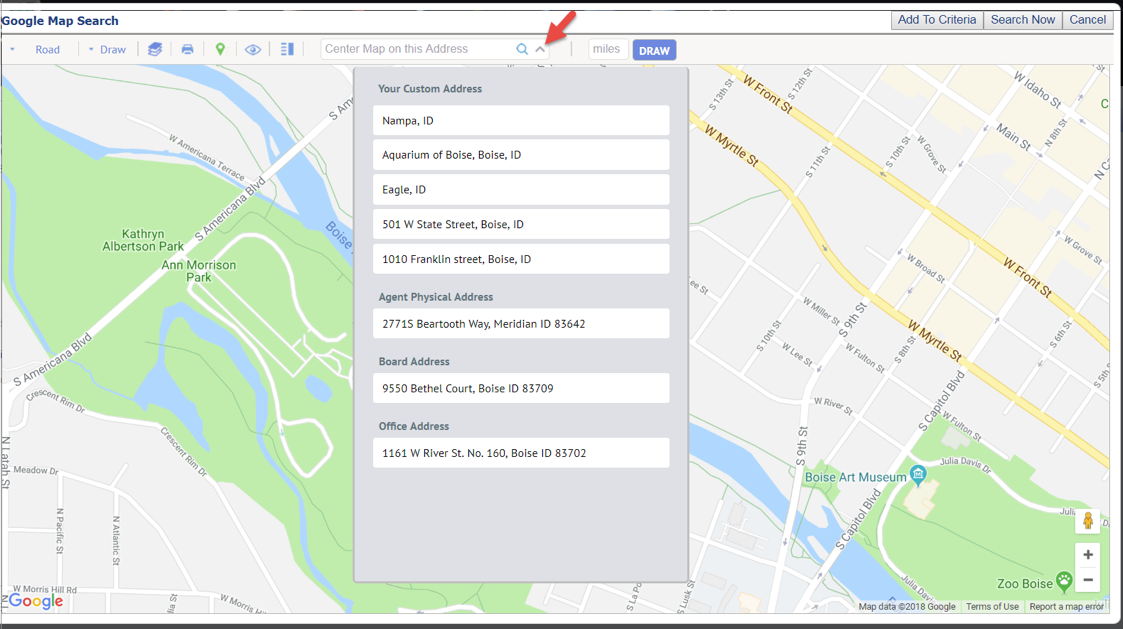
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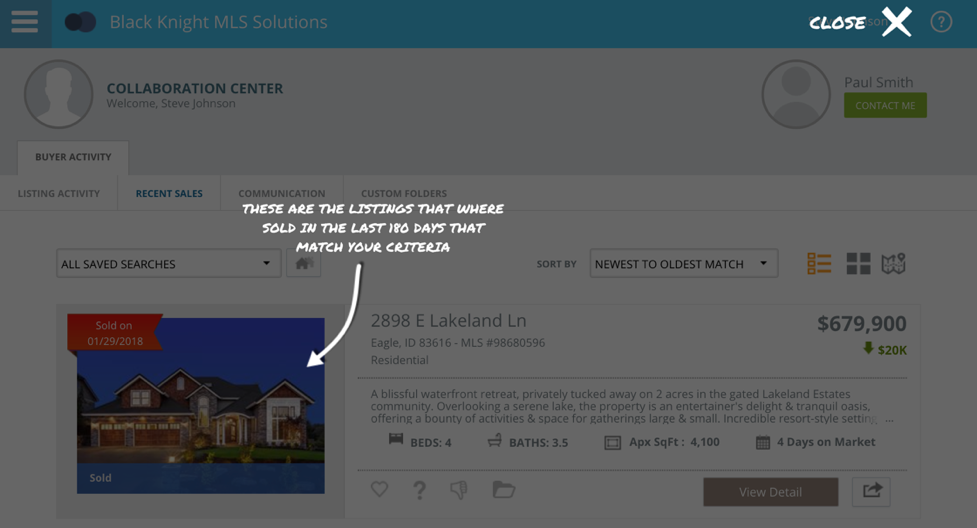
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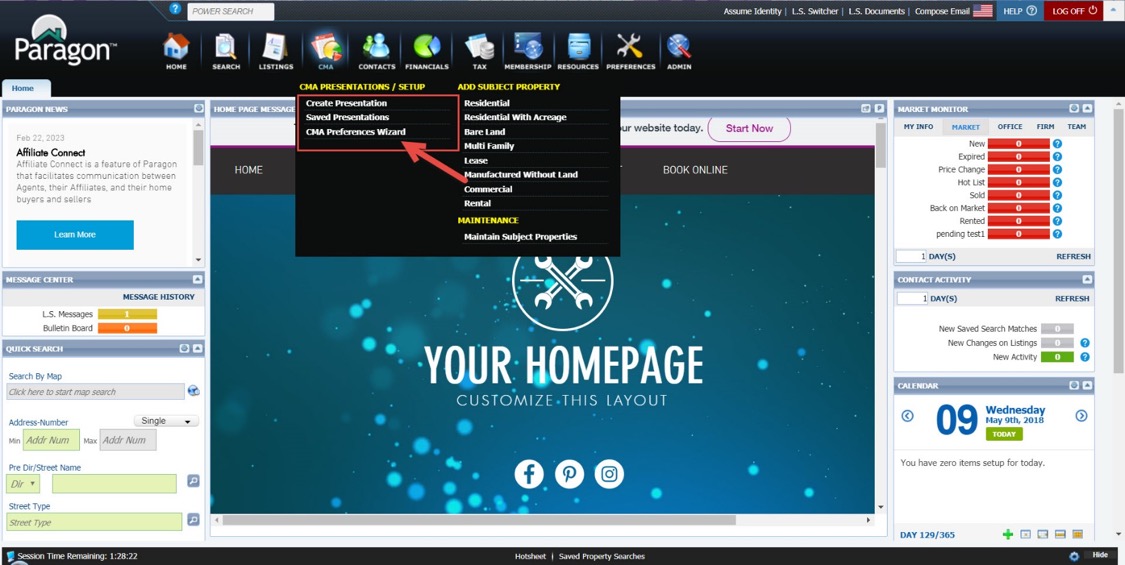
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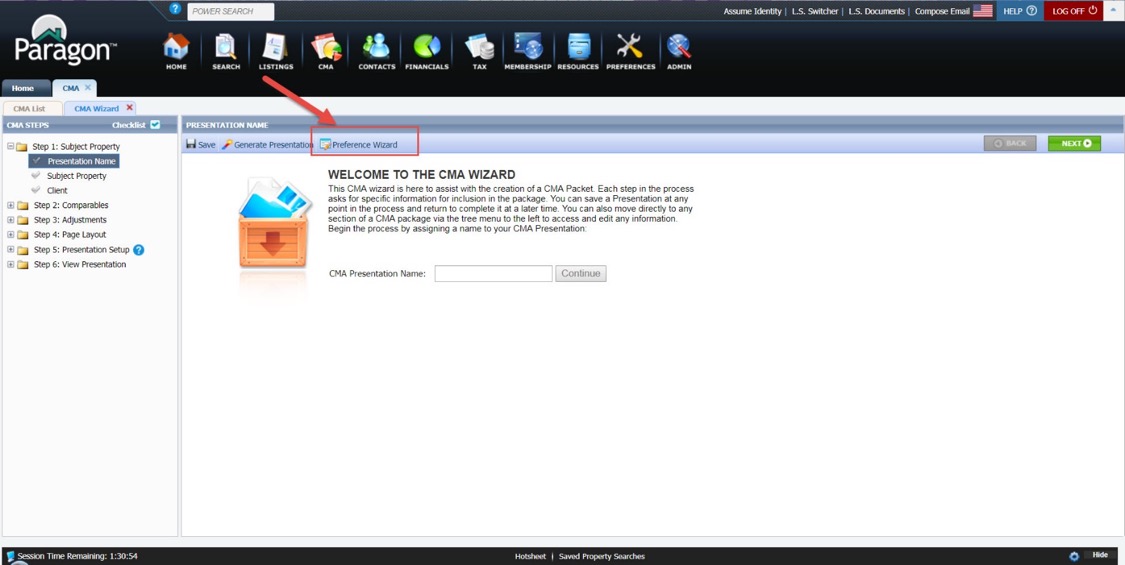
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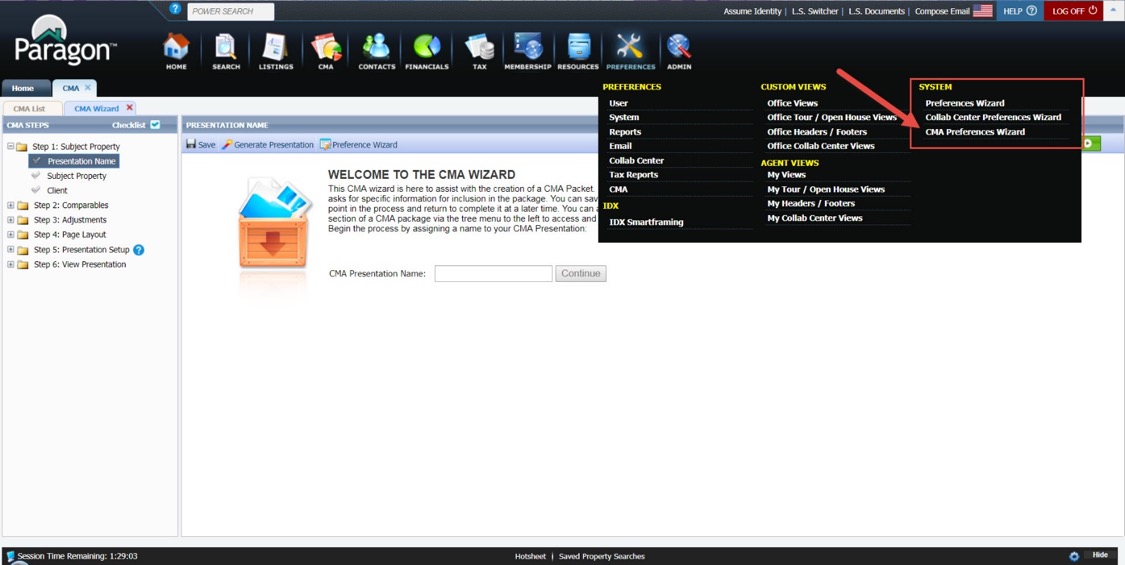
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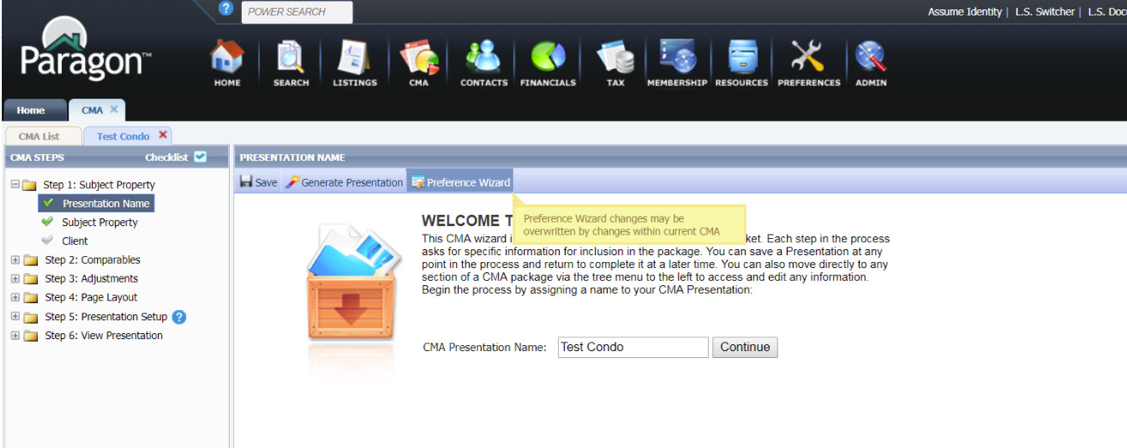
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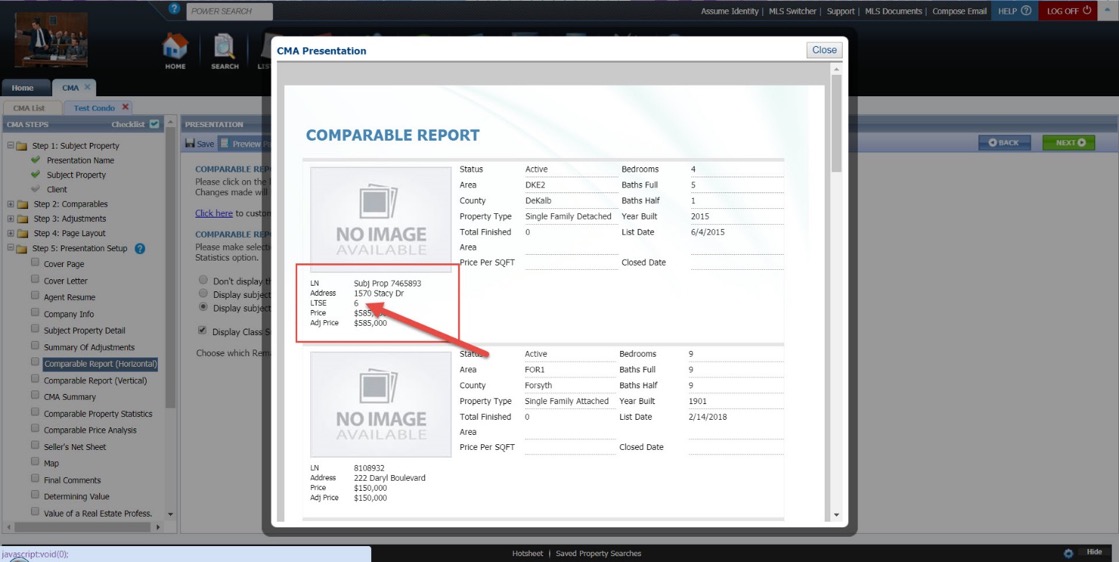
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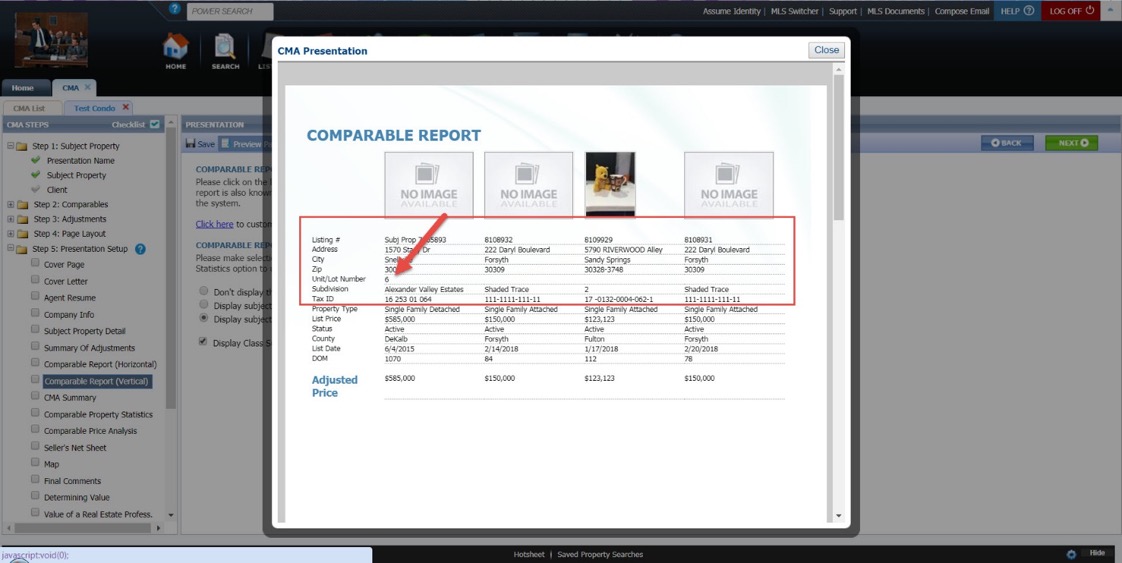


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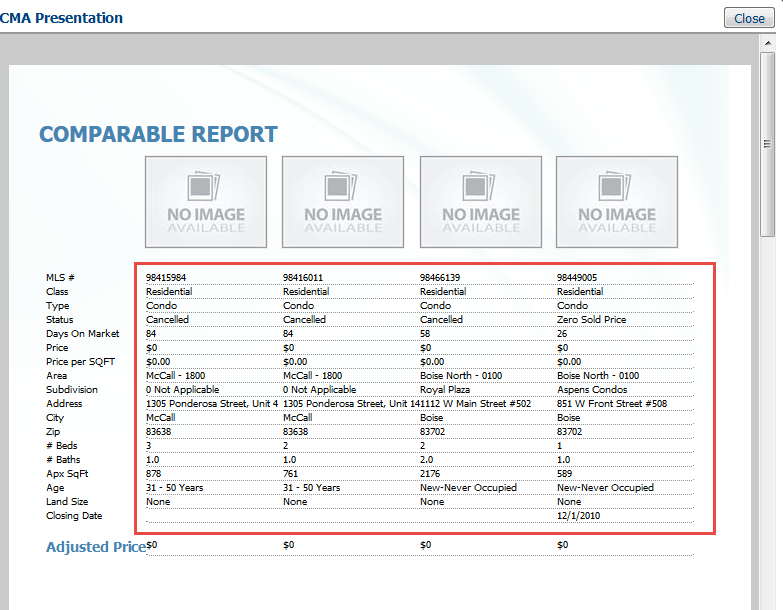
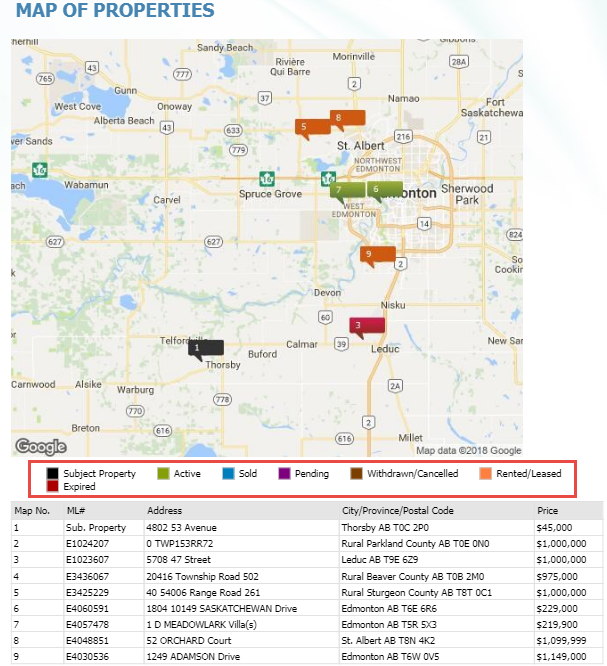


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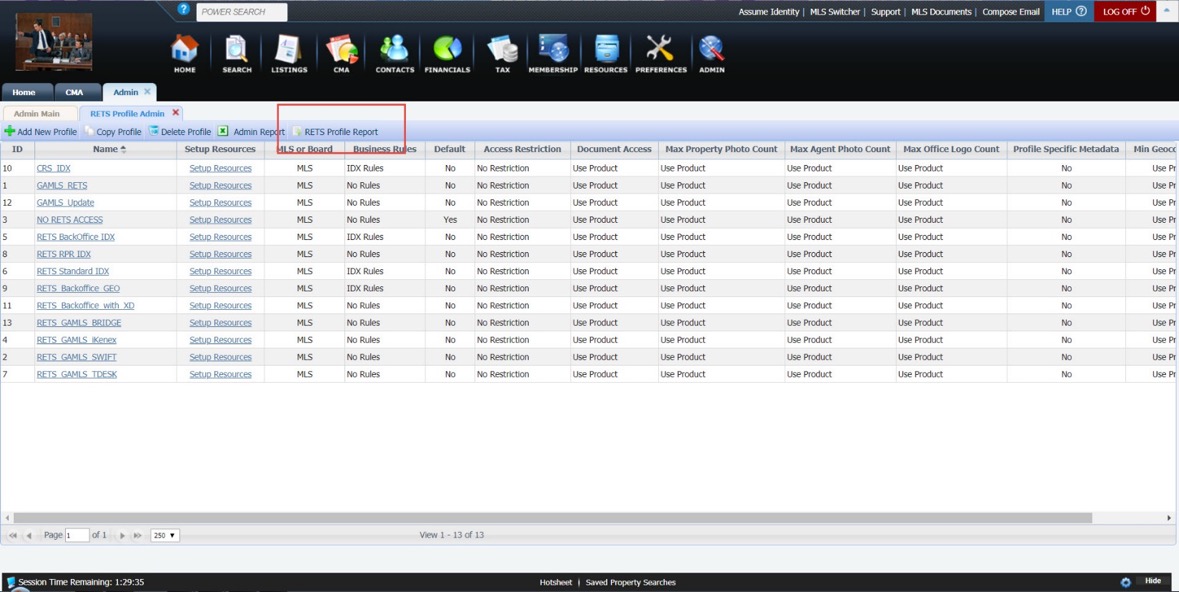
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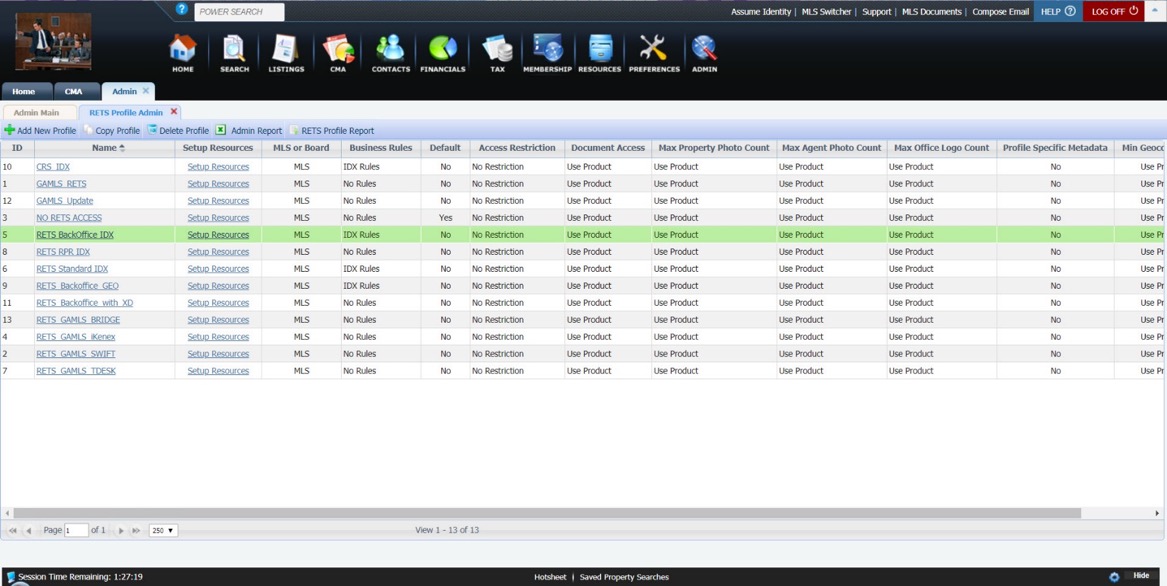
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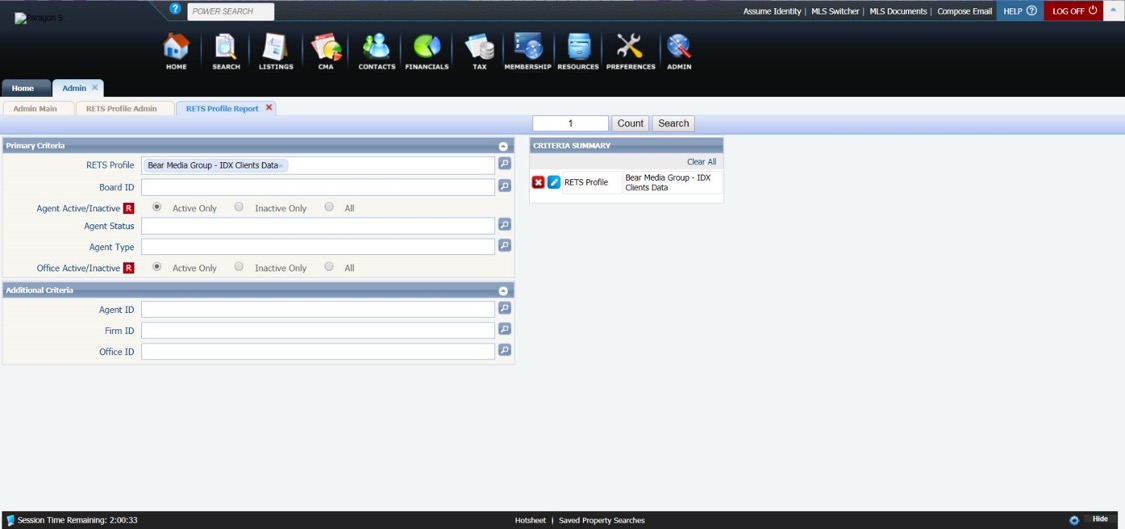


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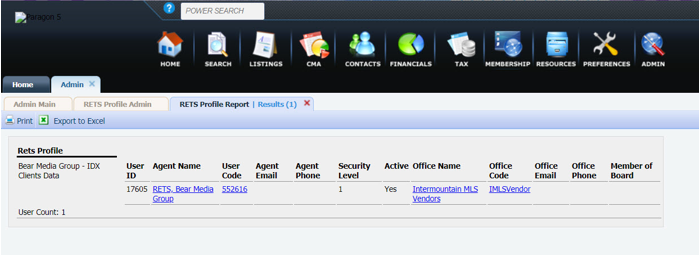
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*Figure C: Report Criteria Prefilled*

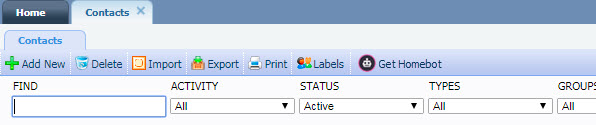


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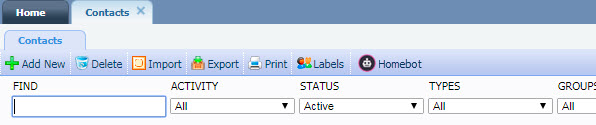


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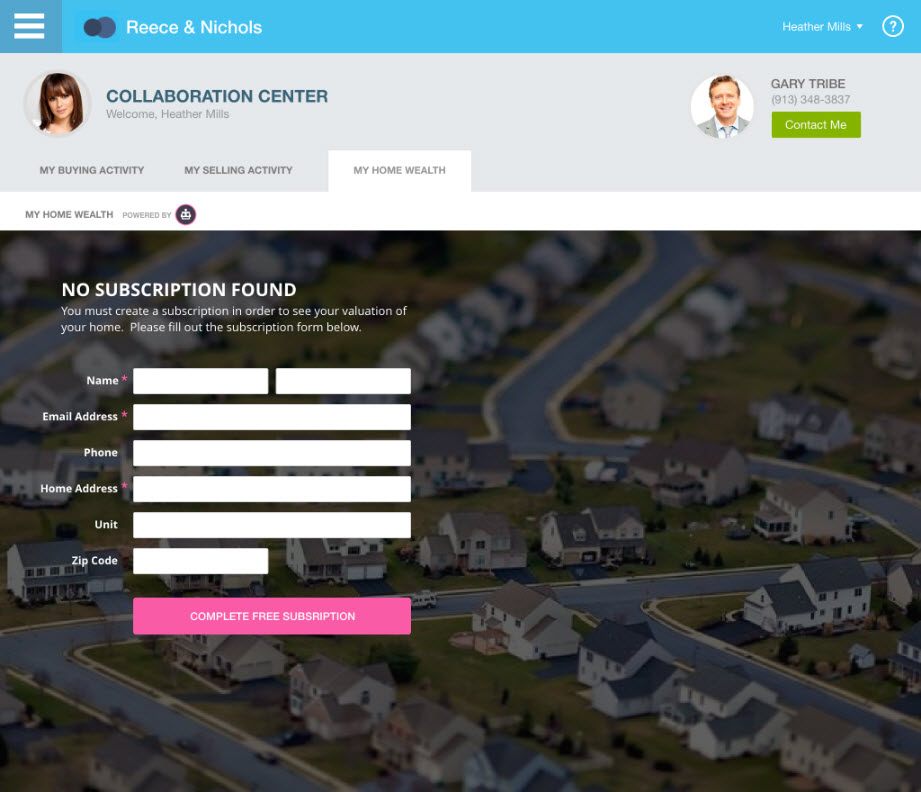
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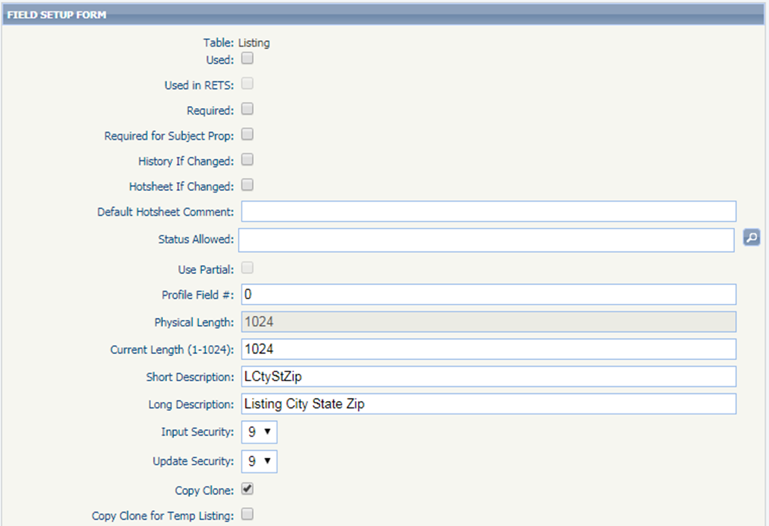
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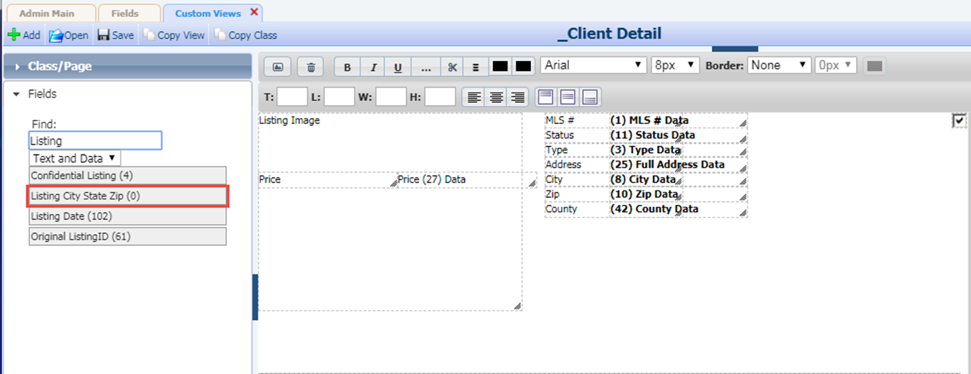
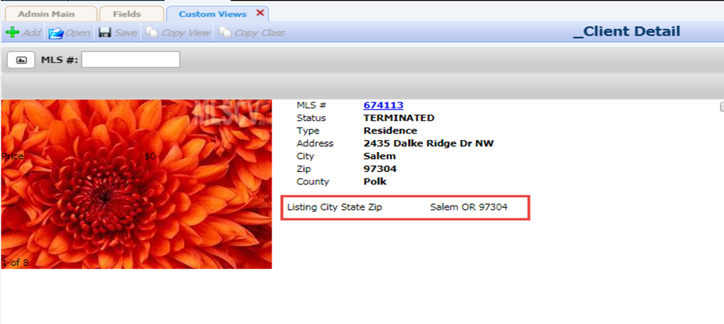
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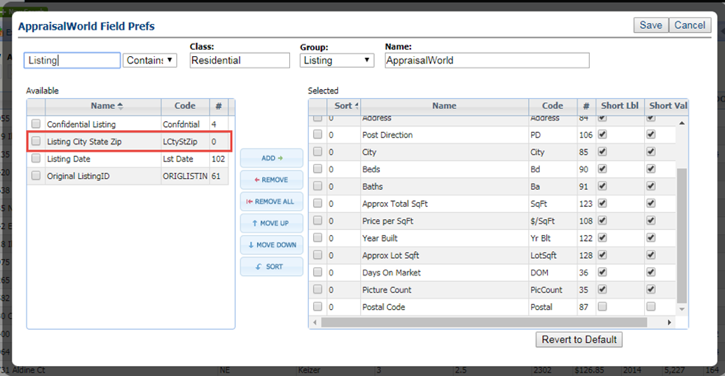
*Figure A: Field Setup Form*

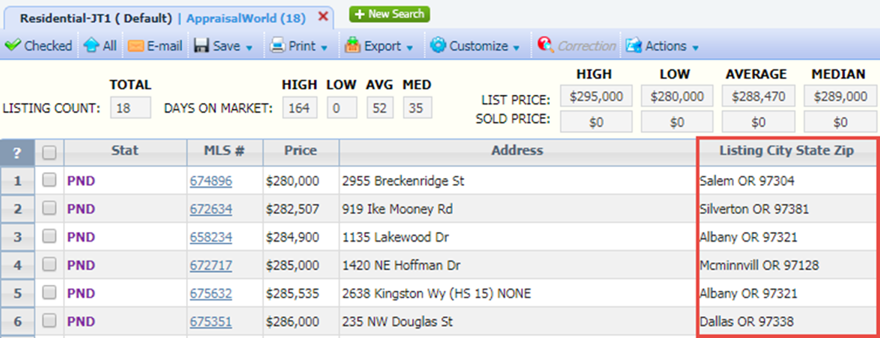


Once the field is enabled it can be added to custom reports, spreadsheet views, and legacy reports.

*Figure B: Report view*



*Figure C: Spreadsheet view*



# Introducing Paragon Affiliate Connect

Affiliate Connect (AC) is a feature of Paragon that facilitates communication between real estate agents, their affiliates, and their consumers (i.e., home buyers and sellers). Affiliates are the agents preferred group\team of home related specialists such as loan officers, settlement officers, home inspectors, etc. This feature allows MLSs to onboard and manage affiliates more easily. Agents can build and manage their affiliate groups and brokers can create and manage office-level affiliate groups that all agents within their office can utilize. Watch for news on this exciting new Paragon initiative and additional features that will be coming in future releases.

Figure : Affiliate Connect in Four Easy Steps

