

review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended).

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

This Notice Also Lists the Following Information

Title of Proposal: Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program: Application, Allowances for Tenant-Furnished Utilities, Inspections, Financial Reports, Request for Tenancy Approval, Housing Voucher, Portability Information, Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Contracts, Tenancy Addendum, Homeownership Obligations, Tenant Information for Owner, Voucher Transfers, Homeownership Contracts of Sale, Information Requirements for Additional Renewal Funding and the Project-Based Voucher program.

OMB Control Number: 2577-0169.

Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use: Public Housing Agencies (PHA) will prepare an application for funding which specifies the number of units requested, as well as the PHA's objectives and plans for administering the HCV program. The application is reviewed by the HUD Field Office and ranked according to the PHA's administrative capability, the need for housing assistance, and other factors specified in the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). The PHAs must establish a utility allowance schedule for all utilities and other services. Units must be inspected using HUD prescribed forms to determine if the units meet the housing quality standards (HQS) of the HCV program. PHAs are also required to maintain financial reports in accordance with accepted accounting standards. The PHA is required to submit one financial document into an internet-based Voucher Management System four times a year. After the family is issued a HCV to search for a unit, the family must

complete and submit to the PHA a Request for Tenancy Approval when it finds a unit which is suitable for its needs. Initial PHAs will use a standardized form to submit portability information to the receiving PHA who will also use the form for monthly portability billing. PHAs and Owners will enter into HAP Contracts each providing information on rents, payments, certifications, notifications, and Owner agreement in a form acceptable to the PHA. A tenancy addendum is included in the HAP contract as well as incorporated in the lease between the owner and the family. Families that participate in the Homeownership program will execute a statement regarding their responsibilities and execute contracts of sale including an additional contract of sale for new construction units. PHAs that wish to voluntarily transfer their HCV programs will notify HUD for approval and, once approved, all affected families and owners of the divested PHA. PHAs participating in the Project-Based Voucher program will enter into Agreements with developing owners, HAP contacts with the existing and New Construction/Substantial Rehabilitation owners, Statement of Family Responsibility with the family and a lease Addendum will be provided for execution between the family and the owner.

Agency form numbers: HUD-52515, HUD-52667, HUD-52580, HUD-52580-A, HUD-52681, HUD-52681-B, HUD-52672, HUD-52517, HUD-52646, HUD-52665, HUD-52641, HUD-52641-A, HUD 52642, HUD 52642-A, HUD 52649, HUD 52531A, 52531B, HUD 52530A, HUD 52530B, HUD 52530C, HUD 52578B.

Members of the Affected Public: State and Local Governments, businesses or other for-profits.

Estimation of the Total Number of Hours Needed to Prepare the Information Collection including the Number of Respondents, Frequency of response, and hours of response: The Number of respondents (2450 PHAs + 245,000 families + 245,000 tenant-based owners) = 492,450 total respondents. Hours per response varies for each form varies from annually, quarterly and on occasion. Total annual burden hours 1,238,448.

Status of the Proposed Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: June 24, 2010.

Merrie Nichols-Dixon,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Programs, and Legislative Initiatives.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5383-N-11]

Proposed Information Collection to OMB Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program (Combined and Simplified Indian Housing Plan and Annual Performance Reporting Requirements); Withdrawal of Notice

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice, withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Chief Information Officer is announcing the withdrawal of the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program (Combined and Simplified Indian Housing Plan and Annual Performance Reporting Requirements) proposed information collection published on May 21, 2010.

DATES: The withdrawal is effective *June 30, 2010*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dacia Rogers, Office of Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives, PIH, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4116, Washington, DC 20410; telephone 202-402-3374, (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: HUD established a working group to streamline the Indian Housing Plan (IHP) and Annual Performance Report (APR) to address the amendments which were made in the NAHASDA Reauthorization Act of 2008. The objective of the IHP/APR streamlining was to reduce the reporting burden on tribes and tribally designated housing entities. It was HUD's intention to publish the notice to maintain momentum as we continued with the negotiated rule making process. At this time, HUD is withdrawing the emergency comment request for the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program (Combined and Simplified Indian Housing Plan and Annual Performance Reporting Requirements) Notice of Proposed Information Collection published on May 21, 2010. Tribes and tribally designated housing entities should continue to use the current versions of the Indian Housing Plan and Annual Performance Report until further notice.

Title of Proposed Notice: Indian Housing Block Grant Program (Combined Indian Housing Plan and Annual Performance Reporting Requirements) .

Description of Information Collection: This is a withdrawal of a proposed information collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. ch. 35, as amended.

Dated: June 24, 2010.

Merrie Nichols-Dixon,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Programs, and Legislative Initiatives.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5420-N-01]

Notice of Regulatory Waiver Requests Granted for the First Quarter of Calendar Year 2010

AGENCY: Office of the General Counsel, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 106 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (the HUD Reform Act) requires HUD to publish quarterly **Federal Register** notices of all regulatory waivers that HUD has approved. Each notice covers the quarterly period since the previous **Federal Register** notice. The purpose of this notice is to comply with the requirements of section 106 of the HUD Reform Act. This notice contains a list of regulatory waivers granted by HUD during the period beginning on January 1, 2010 and ending on March 31, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information about this notice, contact Camille E. Acevedo, Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 10282, Washington, DC 20410-0500, telephone (202) 708-1793 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

For information concerning a particular waiver that was granted and for which public notice is provided in this document, contact the person whose name and address follow the description of the waiver granted in the accompanying list of waivers that have been granted in the first quarter of calendar year 2010.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 106 of the HUD Reform Act added a new section 7(q) to the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(q)), which provides that:

1. Any waiver of a regulation must be in writing and must specify the grounds for approving the waiver;

2. Authority to approve a waiver of a regulation may be delegated by the Secretary only to an individual of Assistant Secretary or equivalent rank, and the person to whom authority to waive is delegated must also have authority to issue the particular regulation to be waived;

3. Not less than quarterly, the Secretary must notify the public of all waivers of regulations that HUD has approved, by publishing a notice in the **Federal Register**. These notices (each covering the period since the most recent previous notification) shall:

a. Identify the project, activity, or undertaking involved;

b. Describe the nature of the provision waived and the designation of the provision;

c. Indicate the name and title of the person who granted the waiver request;

d. Describe briefly the grounds for approval of the request; and

e. State how additional information about a particular waiver may be obtained.

Section 106 of the HUD Reform Act also contains requirements applicable to waivers of HUD handbook provisions that are not relevant to the purpose of this notice.

This notice follows procedures provided in HUD's Statement of Policy on Waiver of Regulations and Directives issued on April 22, 1991 (56 FR 16337). In accordance with those procedures and with the requirements of section 106 of the HUD Reform Act, waivers of regulations are granted by the Assistant Secretary with jurisdiction over the regulations for which a waiver was requested. In those cases in which a General Deputy Assistant Secretary granted the waiver, the General Deputy Assistant Secretary was serving in the absence of the Assistant Secretary in accordance with the office's Order of Succession.

This notice covers waivers of regulations granted by HUD from January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010. For ease of reference, the waivers granted by HUD are listed by HUD program office (for example, the Office of Community Planning and Development, the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, the Office of Housing, and the Office of Public and Indian Housing, etc.). Within each

program office grouping, the waivers are listed sequentially by the regulatory section of title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) that is being waived. For example, a waiver of a provision in 24 CFR part 58 would be listed before a waiver of a provision in 24 CFR part 570.

Where more than one regulatory provision is involved in the grant of a particular waiver request, the action is listed under the section number of the first regulatory requirement that appears in 24 CFR and that is being waived. For example, a waiver of both § 58.73 and § 58.74 would appear sequentially in the listing under § 58.73.

Waiver of regulations that involve the same initial regulatory citation are in time sequence beginning with the earliest-dated regulatory waiver.

Should HUD receive additional information about waivers granted during the period covered by this report (the first quarter of calendar year 2010) before the next report is published (the second quarter of calendar year 2010), HUD will include any additional waivers granted for the first quarter in the next report.

Accordingly, information about approved waiver requests pertaining to HUD regulations is provided in the Appendix that follows this notice.

Dated: June 24, 2010.

Helen R. Kanovsky,
General Counsel.

Appendix—Listing of Waivers of Regulatory Requirements Granted by Offices of the Department of Housing and Urban Development January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010

Note to Reader: More information about the granting of these waivers, including a copy of the waiver request and approval, may be obtained by contacting the person whose name is listed as the contact person directly after each set of regulatory waivers granted.

The regulatory waivers granted appear in the following order:

- I. Regulatory waivers granted by the Office of Community Planning and Development.
- II. Regulatory waivers granted by the Office of Housing.
- III. Regulatory waivers granted by the Office of Public and Indian Housing.

I. Regulatory Waivers Granted by the Office of Community Planning and Development

For further information about the following regulatory waivers, please see the name of the contact person that immediately follows the description of the waiver granted.

- *Regulation:* 24 CFR 58.22(a).

Project/Activity: The State of Louisiana Department of Culture,