

## §314.2

holds the project property with the responsibilities of an original recipient under the award.

### §314.2 Definitions.

As used in this part 314 of this chapter:

*Dispose* includes sell, lease, abandon, or use for a purpose or purposes not authorized under the grant award or this part.

*Estimated useful life* means that period of years, determined by EDA as the expected lifespan of the project.

*Owner* includes fee owner, transferee, lessee, or optionee of real property upon which project facilities or improvements are or will be located, or real property improved under a project which has as its purpose that the property be sold or leased.

*Personal Property* means all property other than real property.

*Project* means the activity and property acquired or improved for which a grant is awarded. When property is used in other programs as provided in §314.3(b), "project" includes such programs.

*Property* includes all forms of property, real, personal (tangible and intangible), and mixed.

*Real property* means any land, improved land, structures, appurtenances thereto, or other improvements, excluding movable machinery and equipment. Improved land also includes land which is improved by the construction of such project facilities as roads, sewers, and water lines which are not situated directly on the land but which contribute to the value of such land as a specific part of the project purpose.

*Recipient* includes any recipient of grant assistance under the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended, prior to or as amended by Public Law 105-393, or under Title II, Chapters 3 and 5 of the Trade Act of 1974, Title I of the Public Works Employment Act of 1976, the Public Works Employment Act of 1977, or the Community Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1977, and any EDA-approved successor to such recipient.

### §314.3 Use of property.

(a) The recipient or owner must use any property acquired or improved in

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whole or in part with grant assistance only for the authorized purpose of the project and such property must not be leased, sold, disposed of or encumbered without the written authorization of EDA.

(b) However, in the event that EDA and the recipient determine that property acquired or improved in whole or in part with grant assistance is no longer needed for the original grant purpose, it may be used in other Federal grant programs, or programs that have purposes consistent with those authorized for support by EDA, but only if EDA approves such use.

(c) When the authorized purpose of the EDA grant is to develop real property to be leased or sold, as determined by EDA, such sale or lease is permitted provided it is for adequate consideration and the sale is consistent with the authorized purpose of the grant and with applicable EDA requirements concerning, but not limited to, non-discrimination and environmental compliance. The term "adequate consideration" means consideration that is fair and reasonable under the circumstances of the sale or lease, and may include money, services, property exchanges, contractual commitments, or acts of forbearance.

(d) When acquiring replacement personal property of equal or greater value, the recipient may, with EDA's approval, trade-in the property originally acquired or sell the original property and use the proceeds in the acquisition of the replacement property, provided that the replacement property shall be used for the project and be subject to the same requirements as the original property. In extraordinary and compelling circumstances, EDA may allow replacement of real property, with the approval of the Assistant Secretary.

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### §314.4 Unauthorized use.

(a) Except as provided in §§314.3(b), (c) or (d), whenever, during the expected useful life of the project, any property acquired or improved in whole or in part with grant assistance is disposed of, or no longer used for the authorized purpose of the project, the

Federal Government must be compensated by the recipient for the Federal share of the value of the property; provided that for equipment and supplies, the standards of the Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants at 15 CFR parts 14 and 24 or any supplements or successors thereto, as applicable, shall apply.

(b) If property is disposed of or encumbered without EDA approval, EDA may assert its interest in the property to recover the Federal share of the value of the property for the Federal Government. To that end, EDA may take such actions as are provided in connection with loans and loan guarantees, in § 316.5(c) of this chapter. EDA may pursue its rights under both paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section to recover the Federal share, plus costs and interest.

(c) *RLF grant projects.* (1) EDA may suspend or terminate any RLF grant for cause based on, but not limited to, the following:

(i) Failure to make loans in accordance with the RLF Plan, including the time-schedule for loan closings;

(ii) Failure to obtain prior EDA approval for such changes to the RLF Plan, including provisions for administering the RLF;

(iii) Failure to submit progress, financial or audit reports as required by the terms and conditions of the grant agreement;

(iv) Failure to comply with prohibitions against conflict-of-interest for any transactions involving the use of RLF funds; or

(v) Failure to operate the RLF in accordance with the RLF Plan and the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

(2) Whenever an RLF recipient fails in its fiduciary responsibilities or is unable or unwilling to perform as trustee of the grant, EDA may suspend, terminate or transfer the grant to an eligible successor with jurisdiction over the project area, to administer it as such trustee (replacement grantee).

(3) Whenever EDA terminates any RLF grant for cause, in whole or in part, it has the right to recover residual funds and assets of the RLF grant in accordance with the legal rights of the parties.

(4) If there is a partial termination of an RLF grant, the full amount of the original non-federal matching share is expected to be retained in the RLF for lending purposes unless otherwise provided for in the grant agreement or agreed to in writing by EDA.

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#### § 314.5 Federal share.

(a) For purposes of this part, the Federal share of the value of property is that percentage of the current fair market value of the property attributable to the EDA participation in the project (after deducting actual and reasonable selling and fix-up expenses, if any, incurred to put the property into condition for sale). The Federal share excludes that value of the property attributable to acquisition or improvements before or after EDA's participation in the project and not included in project costs.

(b) Where the recipient's interest in property is a leasehold for a term of years less than the depreciable remaining life of the property, that factor will be considered in determining the percentage of the Federal share.

(c) If property is transferred from the recipient to another eligible entity, as provided in § 314.1(c), the Federal Government must be compensated the Federal share of any money or money equivalent paid by or on behalf of the successor recipient to or for the benefit of the original recipient, provided that EDA may first permit the recovery by the original recipient of an amount not exceeding its investment in the project nor exceeding that percentage of the value of the property that is not attributable to the EDA participation in the project.

(d) When the Federal Government is fully compensated for the Federal share of the value of property acquired or improved in whole or in part with grant assistance, EDA has no further interest in the ownership, use, or disposition of the property.

#### § 314.6 Encumbrances.

(a) Except as provided in § 314.6(c), recipient-owned property acquired or improved in whole or in part with grant assistance may not be used to secure a