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reasons for the proposed removal and the duration of the proposed removal.

(2) The nonprofit organization will have 20 days from the date of the notice (or longer, if provided in the notice) to submit a written response appealing the proposed removal and to request a conference. A request for a conference must be in writing and must be submitted along with the written response.

(3) A HUD official will review the appeal and provide an informal conference if requested. The HUD official will send a response either affirming, modifying, or canceling the removal. The HUD official will not be someone who was involved in HUD's initial removal decision. HUD will respond with a decision within 30 days of receiving the response, or, if the nonprofit organization has requested a conference, within 30 days after the completion of the conference. HUD may extend the 30-day period by providing written notice to the nonprofit organization.

(4) If the nonprofit organization does not submit a timely written response, the removal will be effective 20 days after the date of HUD's initial removal notice (or after a longer period provided in the notice). If a written response is submitted, and the initial removal decision is affirmed or modified, the removal will be effective on the date of HUD's notice affirming or modifying the initial removal decision.

(c) *Placement on the Roster after removal.* A nonprofit organization that has been removed from the FHA Nonprofit Organization Roster may apply for placement on the Roster (in accordance with §200.194) after the nonprofit organization's removal from the Roster has expired. An application will be rejected if the period for the nonprofit organization's removal from the Roster has not expired.

(d) *Other action.* Nothing in this section prohibits HUD from taking such other action against a nonprofit organization, as provided in 24 CFR part 24, or from seeking any other remedy against a nonprofit organization available to HUD by statute or otherwise.

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Subpart G—Appraiser Roster

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§ 200.200 What is the Appraiser Roster?

(a) *Appraiser Roster.* HUD maintains a list of appraisers. A mortgagee must select only an appraiser from this list for the appraisal of a property that is to be the security for an FHA-insured single family mortgage.

(b) *Disclaimer.* Since an appraisal is performed to determine the maximum insurable mortgage and to also protect the FHA insurance funds, the inclusion of an appraiser on the Appraiser Roster does not create or imply a warranty or endorsement to a prospective homebuyer or to any other organization or individual by HUD of the listed appraiser nor does it represent a warranty of any appraisal performed by the listed appraiser. The inclusion of an appraiser on the Appraiser Roster means only that a listed appraiser has met the qualifications and conditions, prescribed by the Secretary, for inclusion on the Appraiser Roster.

§ 200.202 How do I apply for placement on the Appraiser Roster?

(a) *Application.* To apply for placement on the Appraiser Roster, you must submit an application to HUD.

(b) *Eligibility.* To be eligible for placement on the Appraiser Roster:

(1) You must be a state-licensed or state-certified appraiser;

(2) You must pass a HUD test on FHA appraisal methods and reporting; and

(3) You must not be listed on:

(i) The General Service Administration's Suspension and Debarment List;

(ii) HUD's Limited Denial of Participation List; or

(iii) HUD's Credit Alert Interactive Voice Response System.

§ 200.204 What actions may HUD take against unsatisfactory appraisers on the Appraiser Roster?

An unsatisfactory appraiser may be subject to removal, education requirements, or other actions, as follows:

(a) *Removal from the Appraiser Roster.* HUD officials, as designated by the Secretary, may at any time remove a

listed appraiser from the Appraiser Roster for cause in accordance with paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this section. The provisions of paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this section do not apply to removal actions taken under any section in 24 CFR part 24 nor to any other remedy against an appraiser available to HUD by statute or otherwise.

(1) *Cause for removal.* Cause for removal includes, but is not limited to:

(i) Significant deficiencies in appraisals, including non-compliance with Civil Rights requirements regarding appraisals;

(ii) Failure to maintain standing as a state-certified or state-licensed appraiser;

(iii) Prosecution for committing, attempting to commit, or conspiring to commit fraud, misrepresentation, or any other offense that may reflect on the appraiser's character or integrity;

(iv) Failure to perform appraisal functions in accordance with instructions and standards issued by HUD;

(v) Failure to comply with any agreement made between the appraiser and HUD or with any certification made by the appraiser;

(vi) Being issued a final debarment, suspension, or limited denial of participation;

(vii) Failure to maintain eligibility requirements for placement on the Appraiser Roster as set forth under this subpart or any other instructions or standards issued by HUD; or

(viii) Failure to comply with HUD-imposed education requirements under paragraph (c) of this section within the specified period for complying with such education requirements.

(2) *Procedure for removal.* If you are a listed appraiser and HUD decides to remove you for cause from the Appraiser Roster, the following procedure applies to you unless you have been issued a final debarment, suspension, or limited denial of participation, in which case you are subject to paragraph (a)(3) of this section:

(i) You will be given written notice of your proposed removal. The notice will include the reasons for your proposed removal and the duration of your proposed removal.

(ii) You will have 20 days from the date of your notice of proposed removal to submit a written response appealing the proposed removal and to request a conference. A request for a conference must be in writing and must be submitted along with a written response.

(iii) Within 30 days of receiving your written response, or if you have requested a conference, within 30 days after the completion of your conference, a HUD official, designated by the Secretary, will review your appeal and will send you a final decision either affirming, modifying, or canceling your removal from the Appraiser Roster. HUD may extend this time upon giving you notice. The HUD official designated by the Secretary to review your appeal will not be someone involved in HUD's initial removal decision nor will it be someone who reports to a person involved in that initial decision.

(iv) If you do not submit a written response, your removal will be effective 20 days after the date of HUD's initial removal notice. If you submit a written response, and the removal decision is affirmed or modified, your removal or modification will be effective on the date of HUD's notice affirming or modifying the initial removal decision.

(3) *Automatic removal for issuance of final debarment, suspension, or limited denial of participation.* If you are a listed appraiser and you have been issued a final debarment, a suspension, or a limited denial of participation, the provisions of paragraph (a)(2) of this section do not apply to you, and you will be automatically removed from the Appraiser Roster.

(b) *Reinstatement.* If an appraiser who has been removed from the Roster wants to be reinstated on the Roster, the appraiser must follow the procedures and requirements contained in this subpart for placement on the Roster. Before an appraiser is eligible to reapply for placement on the Roster, the appraiser shall comply with the terms of any applicable remedial training education requirements, and the time period for the appraiser's removal from the Roster shall have expired.

(c) *Education requirements.* Where there is evidence that an appraiser is

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deficient in FHA appraisal requirements, HUD may require an appraiser to undergo professional training and retake the HUD test on FHA appraisal methods and reporting.

(d) *Other action.* Nothing in this section prohibits HUD from taking such other action, against an appraiser, as provided under 24 CFR part 24, or from seeking any other remedy against an appraiser available to HUD by statute or otherwise.

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§ 200.206 What are my responsibilities as an appraiser listed on the Appraiser Roster?

All appraisers listed on the Appraiser Roster are responsible for:

(a) Obtaining and reading the HUD Appraiser Handbook (4150.2) and any updates to the Handbook;

(b) Complying with the HUD Appraiser Handbook (4150.2), and any updates to the Handbook, when performing all appraisals of properties for HUD single family mortgage insurance purposes; and

(c) Complying with all other instructions and standards issued by HUD when performing all appraisals of properties for HUD single family mortgage insurance purposes.

Subpart H—Participation and Compliance Requirements

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PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION REVIEW AND CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

§ 200.210 Policy.

It is the Department's policy that participants in its housing programs be responsible individuals and organizations who will honor their legal, financial and contractual obligations. Accordingly, uniform standards are established in this part for approval, disapproval, or withholding of action on principals in projects based upon their past performance as well as other aspects of their records.

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§ 200.213 Applicability of procedure.

The Previous Participation Review and Clearance procedure set forth in this part is administered by the Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner and is applicable to all principals and to their:

(a) Projects already financed or which are proposed to be financed with a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act and projects subject to a mortgage held by the Secretary under that Act or projects acquired by the Secretary under that Act (FHA projects);

(b) Projects financed or to be financed with direct loans or projects acquired by the Secretary pursuant to section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (Housing for the Elderly and Handicapped);

(c) Projects in which 20% or more of the units now receive or will receive a subsidy in the form of:

(1) Interest reduction payments under section 236 of the National Housing Act;

(2) Rent Supplement payments under section 101 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965;

(3) Housing assistance payments under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (with the exception of the programs described in 24 CFR part 882, subparts A, B, C and F, and in 24 CFR part 887, which are tenant-based programs);

(d) Sales of projects by the Secretary, including "all cash" sales.

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§ 200.215 Definitions.

(a) *Affiliate.* Any person or business concern that directly or indirectly controls policy of a principal or has the power to do so is an affiliate. Persons and business concerns controlled by the same third party are also affiliates.

(b) *Felony.* A felony is any offense punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, but does not include any offense classified as a misdemeanor under the laws of a State and punishable by a term of imprisonment of two years or less.

(c) *Packager or Consultant.* A person or firm that furnishes or proposes to