

**§ 943.148 What procurement standards apply to PHAs selecting partners for a joint venture?**

(a) The requirements of part 85 of this title are applicable to this part, subject to paragraph (b) of this section, in connection with the PHA's public housing program.

(b) A PHA may use competitive proposal procedures for qualifications-based procurement (request for qualifications or "RFQ"), or may solicit a proposal from only one source ("sole source") to select a joint venture partner to perform an administrative or management function of its public housing program or to provide or arrange to provide supportive or social services covered under this part, under the following circumstances:

(1) The proposed joint venture partner has under its control and will make available to the partnership substantial, unique and tangible resources or other benefits that would not otherwise be available to the PHA on the open market (*e.g.*, planning expertise, program experience, or financial or other resources). In this case, the PHA must maintain documentation to substantiate both the cost reasonableness of its selection of the proposed partner and the unique qualifications of the partner: or

(2) A resident group or a PHA subsidiary is willing and able to act as the PHA's partner in performing administrative and management functions or to provide supportive or social services. This entity must comply with the requirements of part 84 of this title (if the entity is a nonprofit) or part 85 of this title (if the entity is a State or local government) with respect to its selection of the members of the team and the members must be paid on a cost-reimbursement basis only. The PHA must maintain documentation that indicates both the cost reasonableness of its selection of a resident group or PHA subsidiary and the ability of that group or subsidiary to act as the PHA's partner under this provision.

**§ 943.150 What procurement standards apply to a PHA's joint venture partner?**

(a) *General.* A joint venture partner is not a grantee or subgrantee and, ac-

ordingly, is not required to comply with part 84 or part 85 of this title in its procurement of goods and services under this part. The partner must comply with all applicable State and local procurement and conflict of interest requirements with respect to its selection of entities to assist in PHA program administration.

(b) *Exception.* If the joint venture partner is a subsidiary, affiliate, or identity of interest party of the PHA, it is subject to the requirements of part 85 of this title. HUD may, on a case-by-case basis, exempt such a joint venture partner from the need to comply with requirements under part 85 of this title if HUD determines that the joint venture has developed an acceptable alternative procurement plan.

(c) *Contracting with identity-of-interest parties.* A joint venture partner may contract with an identity-of-interest party for goods or services, or a party specified in the selected bidder's response to a RFP or RFQ (as applicable), without the need for further procurement if:

(1) The PHA can demonstrate that its original competitive selection of the partner clearly anticipated the later provision of such goods or services;

(2) Compensation of all identity-of-interest parties is structured to ensure there is no duplication of profit or expenses; and

(3) The PHA can demonstrate that its selection is reasonable based upon prevailing market costs and standards, and that the quality and timeliness of the goods or services is comparable to that available in the open market. For purposes of this paragraph (c), an "identity-of-interest party" means a party that is wholly owned or controlled by, or that is otherwise affiliated with, the partner or the PHA. The PHA may use an independent organization experienced in cost valuation to determine the cost reasonableness of the proposed contracts.

**§ 943.151 What procurement standards apply to a joint venture itself?**

(a) When the joint venture as a whole is controlled by the PHA or an identity of interest party of the PHA, the joint venture is subject to the requirements of part 85 of this title.

(b) If a joint venture is not controlled by the PHA or an identity of interest party of the PHA, then the rules that apply to the other partners apply. See § 943.150.

**PART 945—DESIGNATED HOUSING—PUBLIC HOUSING DESIGNATED FOR OCCUPANCY BY DISABLED, ELDERLY, OR DISABLED AND ELDERLY FAMILIES**

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**Subpart A—General**

**§ 945.101 Purpose.**

The purpose of this part is to provide for designated housing as authorized by section 7 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437e). Section 7 provides public housing agencies with the option, subject to the requirements and procedures of this part, to designate public housing projects, or portions of public housing projects, for occupancy by disabled families, elderly families, or mixed populations of disabled families and elderly families.

**§ 945.103 General policies.**

(a) *Agency participation.* Participation in this program is limited to public housing agencies (PHAs) (as this term is defined in 24 CFR 913.102) that elect to designate public housing projects for occupancy by disabled families, elderly

families, or disabled families and elderly families, as provided by this part.

(b) *Eligible housing—(1) Designation of public housing.* Projects eligible for designation under this part are public housing projects as described in the definition of “project” in § 945.105.

(2) *Additional housing resources.* To meet the housing and supportive service needs of elderly families, and disabled families, including non-elderly disabled families, who will not be housed in a designated project, PHAs shall utilize housing resources that they own, control, or have received preliminary notification that they will obtain (e.g., section 8 certificates and vouchers). They also may utilize housing resources for which they plan to apply during the period covered by the allocation plan, and that they have a reasonable expectation of obtaining. PHAs also may utilize, to the extent practicable, any housing facilities that they own or control in which supportive services are already provided, facilitated or coordinated, such as mixed housing, shared housing, family housing, group homes, and congregate housing.

(3) *Exemption of mixed population projects.* A PHA with a public housing project with a mixed population of elderly families and disabled families that plans to house them in such project in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR part 960, subpart D, is not required to meet the designation requirements of this part.

(c) *Family Participation in designated housing—(1) Voluntary participation.* The election to reside in designated housing is voluntary on the part of a family. No disabled family or elderly family may be required to reside in designated housing, nor shall a decision not to reside in designated housing adversely affect the family with respect to occupancy of another appropriate project.

(2) *Meeting stated eligibility requirements.* Nothing in this part shall be construed to require or permit a PHA to accept for admission to a designated project a disabled family or elderly family who does not meet the stated eligibility requirements for occupancy in the project (for example, income), as set forth in HUD’s regulations in 24