

§ 990.310 Project-based accounting.

(a) PHAs identified in § 990.301(b) shall develop and maintain a system of accounting for operating income and operating costs for each project or operating cost center in a manner capable of generating information to meet HUD consolidated reporting requirements.

(b) Operating income and cost information to be accounted for at a project or cost center level shall include at least rental income and the administrative costs, utilities costs, maintenance costs, repair costs, and such other income and costs identified by the PHA as project-specific for management purposes. The minimum income and expense distribution requirements for project-based accounting information include:

(1) Project-specific operating income credited to a specific project or cost center which shall include, at a minimum, rental income and excess utilities income; and

(2) Project-specific operating expense to be charged to a specific project or cost center level which shall include, at a minimum, utilities expense and direct maintenance (material and labor) expense, in addition to any other operating expenses in the 4000 series of accounts which are identified by the PHA as project-specific for management purposes (for example, tenant services or protective services personnel assigned to a specific project).

(c) Indirect operating income and indirect operating expenses that are not project-specific are not required to be accounted for at, or allocated to, a project or cost center level. Indirect income and expense that is not required to be allocated to the project or cost center level includes non-project-specific income and expense, including PHA central office overhead expense, which is not identifiable with, or readily assignable to, a specific project or cost center.

(d) PHAs may establish operating cost centers on any reasonable basis that reflects the PHA management structure and that meets the financial information needs at the lowest level of line authority within that management structure. A PHA's determination of appropriate cost centers and

method of income and cost distribution shall be controlling unless HUD determines there is good cause for requiring some other frame of reference for aggregating financial information.

§ 990.315 Records and reports.

(a) Each PHA shall maintain fiscal year-end income and expense statements, which reflect the PBA information required by § 990.310, for each project or other cost center and shall make these available for review upon request by interested members of the public.

(b) Each PHA shall distribute such year-end financial statements to the Chairman and to each member of the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, and to such other State and local public officials as the Secretary may specify. Project-based income and expense statements shall be made available to Board chairmen as soon as is practicable after the close of the fiscal period.

§ 990.320 Certifications.

(a) The PHA shall certify, by the effective date specified in § 990.325, in a form acceptable to HUD, that the PHA is aware of and is taking steps to implement project-based accounting and will produce the fiscal year-end reports required under § 990.315. The certification shall identify each project or other cost center, the basis upon which each project or other cost center has been established and determined to be in compliance with the definitions of § 990.305, above, and where a cost center consists of units in two or more projects (as identified by HUD-assigned development project number) the PHA shall identify the individual development project numbers, the number of units, and a characterization (i.e., high-rise family, mid-rise family, scattered-site, etc.) of each numbered project included in the cost center.

(b) A certification made in accordance with this section shall be updated if the PHA deletes units, adds additional units or projects (as identified by HUD-assigned development project numbers) to its inventory, or otherwise